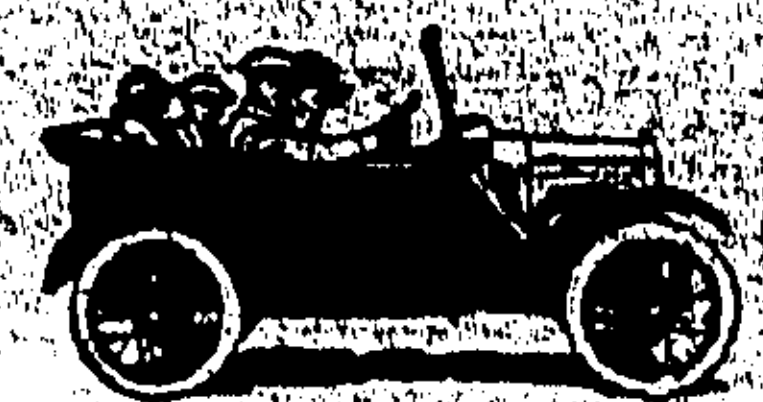


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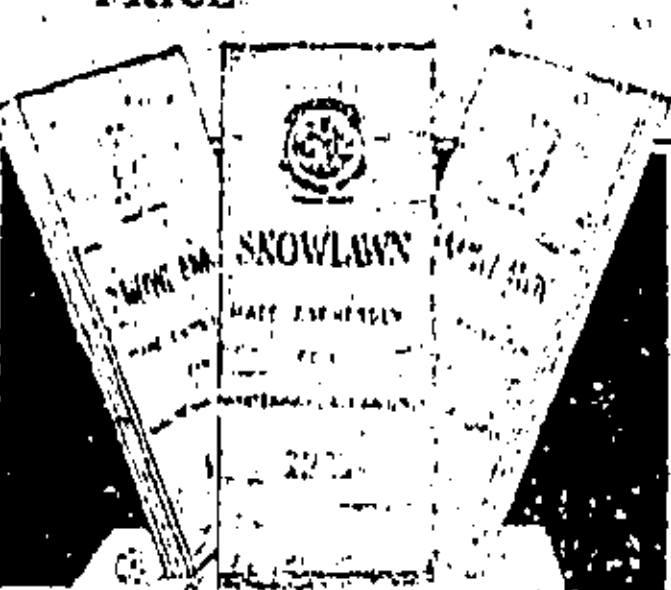
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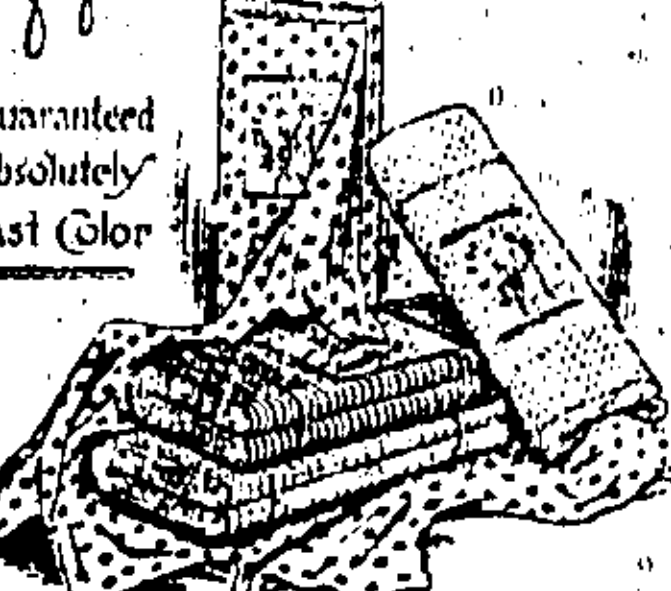


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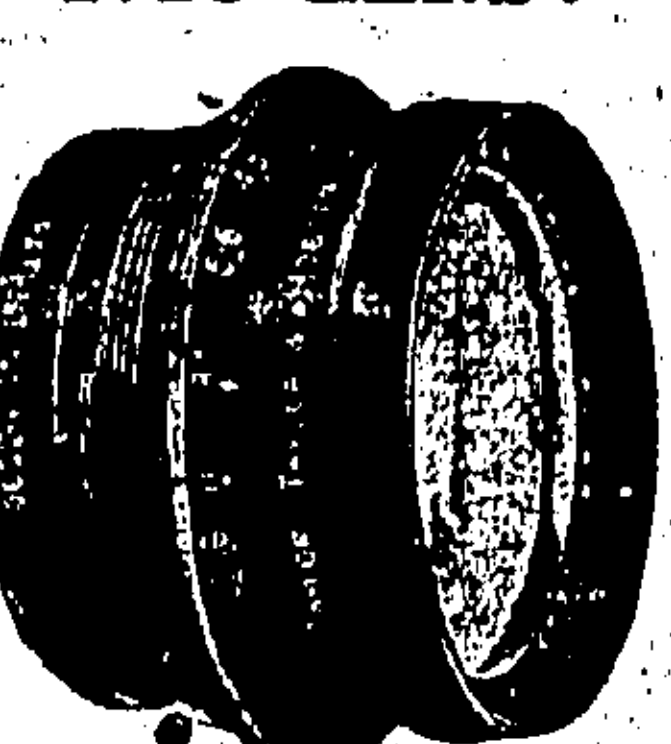
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WHO WILL IT BE? HONGKONG'S NEXT GOVERNOR. MALAY STATES GOSSIP.

Sir George Maxwell Offered the Post?

Rumour in the Malay States declares that Sir George Maxwell, Chief Secretary of the Federated Malay States, "has been offered or was to be offered the Governorship of Hongkong."

This item was culled from the "Malay Mail" of Kuala Lumpur, but inquiries in Hongkong official circles this morning failed to bring any confirmation. Our reporter was informed that Sir Edward Stubbs, as already announced, expects to sail for England on the 27th of June in the s.s. Malwa, and does not at present anticipate returning to the Colony at the expiration of his leave. No announcement is likely to be made by the Colonial Office regarding his successor before June or July and it will not be without precedent if (in the event of another Governor being appointed) a temporary successor is at first appointed.

Sir George Maxwell, K.B.E., Chief Secretary to Government of the Federated Malay States, was educated at Clifton College. He is the grandson of the late Sir P. B. Maxwell, the first Chief Justice of the Straits Settlements, and son of the late Sir W. E. Maxwell, who, as Resident of Selangor, introduced the Torrens system of land registration into those States, and afterwards became Colonial Secretary of the Straits Settlements, and Governor of the God Coast.

Sir George Maxwell, who is 53 years of age, is a barrister of the Inner Temple and has had thirty-three years' service in Malaya. He was Solicitor-General in 1906, British Adviser to the Kedah Government in 1910, and General Adviser to the Johore Government in 1918. He was appointed to his present post in September, 1920.

Like his father before him, he is a man of tireless energy with plenty of driving force. What he does not know about Malaya is not worth knowing. He is also blessed with a genial manner and is an authority on the jungle and its denizens, being the author of the well-known book, "In Malayan Forests."

Another name mentioned for the post of Governor of Hongkong was Sir John Swinwick Bradbury, G.C.B., K.C.B., C.B., who as principal British representative on the Reparation Commission has handled delicate negotiations. He was raised to a barony in the New Year's Honours List. He is an Insurance Commissioner and was a member of the National Health Insurance Joint Committee. Throughout the war period he was Joint Permanent Secretary to H.M. Treasury.

Hongkong's present Governor, Sir Edward Stubbs, K.C.M.G., has held the post since 1919. Appointed second class clerk, Colonial Office, in 1900, he became first class clerk in 1910. He was sent on a special mission to the Malay Peninsula and Hongkong the same year. He was a member of the West African Lands Committee in 1912. He was appointed Colonial Secretary of Ceylon in 1913. This post he held until he came to Hongkong in 1919. He administered the Ceylon Government on several occasions.

What actually occurs when a Colonial Governorship becomes vacant, it is interesting to recall, is that the Colonial Office, in touch with the doings of all the smaller colonial governors, is in a position to recommend one or more for appointment to the Secretary of State for Colonies. When the decision is made the chosen one is communicated with and in the event of his "accept"

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ance the consent of His Majesty has, of course, to be obtained.

Simultaneous announcement is then made to the colony concerned and to the Press and as the elaborate machinery which the Press has evolved for the lightning transition of important news to the four corners of the globe is such that the chances are all for their cables beating those of Whitehall, Hongkong's first intimation as to the appointment of a Governor is likely to come through the agency of Reuter in the local papers.

CHESS CLUB.

Chess enthusiasts will be pleased to notice from our advertisement columns that a club has been started in Kowloon, the first meeting taking place on Friday next at the Central British School. Although it is to be the Kowloon Chess Club, residents of the island will be very welcome and it is hoped that good support will be forthcoming.

The body of a Chinese was picked up in a tunnel near Taipakau Railway Station. The man had apparently been run over by a train as the body was severed at the trunk.

STEAMER MISHAP.

Inquiry Court Finding.

THE SET OF A TIDE.

HOW THE "FOOSHING" WENT AGROUND.

Questions concerning the advisability of his taking the course through the Channel were put to Captain McAlinsh, master of the "Fooshing" at this morning's enquiry into the circumstances of her grounding off the Lamockes, on February 16.

Replying to the President of the Court (Lieut. Commander G. B. Hale R.N.), Capt. McAlinsh said that he selected the Channel because he had been through there many times before. His usual method upon leaving Swatow in a S. S. Lamock was to pass to the westward of the Lamockes. This

particular evening it being cloudy over the land he thought it might become worse during the night making it difficult to pick out land. He knew he could get sea room in the pass for the rest of the night.

"The President: Did it ever occur to you that you would be set for the southern tide?"

Capt. McAlinsh: "The flood tide was set N. to E. I calculated for at least two hours' flood after passing Good Hope. As at nine o'clock there was a period of slack water I presumed it would be possible to clear the pass before feeling the effects of the ebb tide."

Lieut. Commander C. R. H. Harvey, O.B.E., R.N., questioned Capt. McAlinsh as to what the meant by a previous statement that the lights at Lamockes were abnormal. Capt. McAlinsh explained that the lights were showing up more vividly than usual at the time the ship went aground. Since then he had sent it down to the state of the atmosphere, the moisture. This effect lasted, until the afternoon of the 22nd (two days after the grounding when, happening to be on the bridge with Capt. Kennedy, Marine Superintendent of the Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd., he noticed they had become normal and pointed this out to Capt. Kennedy. They then looked about three and a half miles away, whereas before they had only looked a mile away.

Mr. F. G. Vaux (appearing for Capt. McAlinsh): You have given reasons why you went through the passage. Can you give any against taking the inside passage at night under the conditions prevailing?"

The President: He has said that he would have plenty of sea space.

Mr. Vaux: Do you know anything about tides and currents in the inside passage?

Capt. McAlinsh: With an ebb tide I would have had a lee shore and I did not wish that.

Mr. Vaux: Which passage is recommended in the sailing directions?

Capt. McAlinsh: We are advised to go outside the Lamockes at night.

Mr. Vaux: Your course, making no allowance for the tides or currents would take you half a mile south of the light. Your observation of the Lamockes lights made you believe it was very much nearer than it was?

Capt. McAlinsh: Yes.

(Continued at foot of next column.)

"NOT GOOD, NOT BAD."

COLONY'S VERDICT ON THE TOURISTS.

"SHOPPING SIDELIGHTS."

Story of a Tripper Who Was Badly "Stung."

The tourists who "invaded" Hongkong at the latter part of last week no doubt maintained the reputation of the American for doing good business, but the "China Mail" has it on very good authority that at least one was badly "stung," though he is no doubt profoundly ignorant to this moment of that fact.

After a voluble argument with the would-be purveyor of a Chinese embroidered silk shawl in a local shop the American got the man down from something like \$150 to \$80. The shopman had been arguing in Hongkong dollars but he had no objections when the American paid up in dollars gold, thus doubling the price which he could very well have had the purchase for!

Very little business is reported as having been done with the tourists by European firms approached by the "China Mail" the purchases there being restricted to a few odds and ends, mostly of apparel, which struck the fancy. In anticipation of more weather such as they experienced here a few fitted themselves out with topees.

MONEY THE INDEX.

"Yes, we did good business," was the retort of the manager of a local store to a question put to him yesterday regarding the result of the California's visit.

Seated at a table close by amid a litter of American bank notes was another member of the staff who gave a furtive glance at the pressman as though to endorse his superior's statement.

At another place the tourists were referred to as "very good people."

"But you do not judge goodness by the amount of money they give you?" queried the reporter.

The reply was to the point: "In business it is just that way. Look at the last lot that came here; they were no good to us."

At a store still further the result was concisely expressed as "Not good, not bad."

"Where are your signboards with all those arresting captions?" asked the pressman at one of the shops.

He was told not to worry as they will be out again on Saturday.

Enquiries followed as to the number of visitors and the possible length of stay of the Empress of France. When told that the ship was coming from Singapore and proceeding North, the countenance of the store man fell and the other beat a retreat.

For the most part the tourists confined their shopping to Queen's Road Central and one or two establishments in the neighbourhood. A surprisingly large number of shawls and Mandarin coats changed hands. Other goods in demand were Swatow drawn work, embroideries, Indian silks and jade ornaments. The silk stores improved their turnover by frocks and costumes made to order.

One store boasted that it easily beat the others in this competition of touring out the finished product in sixteen hours. The hot weather conditions enhanced their arguments, and not a few of the fair sex took advantage of the opportunities offering to come into possession at such short notice of a costume in any material which suited their fancy.

MORE COMING.

The 350 passengers making up the complement of the Cunard Line round the world cruise by the "Franconia" are due to arrive at Hongkong on March 31 and to leave for North China on the evening of April 4.

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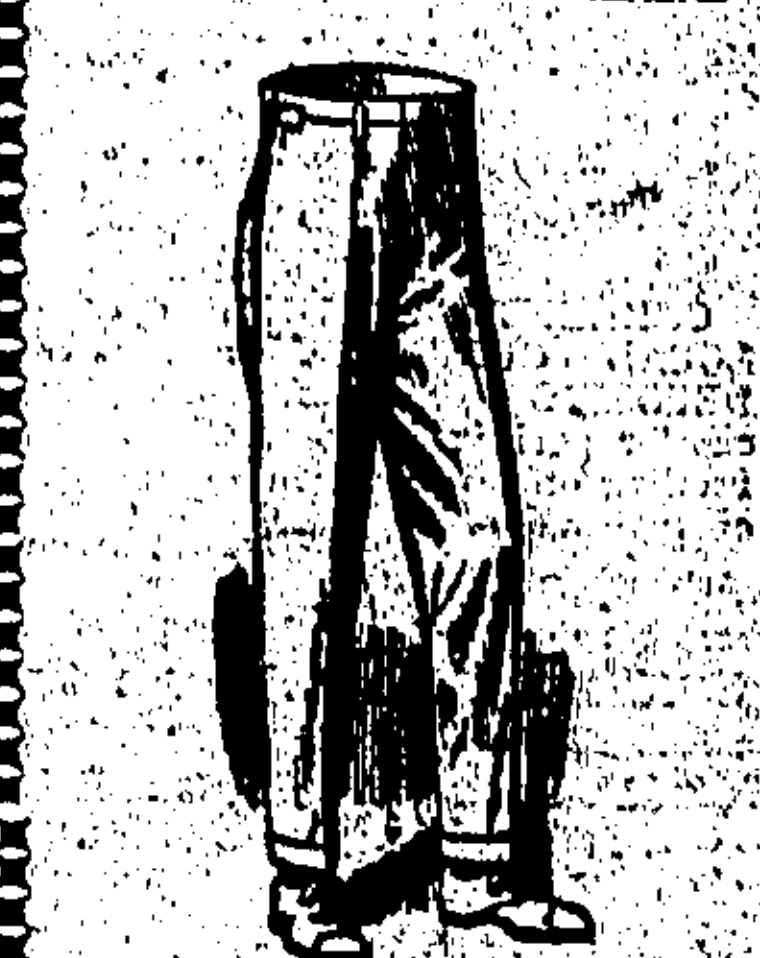
THREE MONTHS' JAIL.

The ricksha puller who was charged at the Central Magistracy yesterday with attempted robbery of a European ship's officer at West Point was again before Mr. J. R. Wood this morning.

After the evidence of a Chinese constable and the complainant, the accused was sentenced to three months' hard labour.

"What Theosophy is" will be the subject of this week's Public Lecture of the Hongkong Lodge, The Theosophical Society, 16, Queen's Road Central, on Wednesday, March 18, at 5.45 p.m. The Public are invited.

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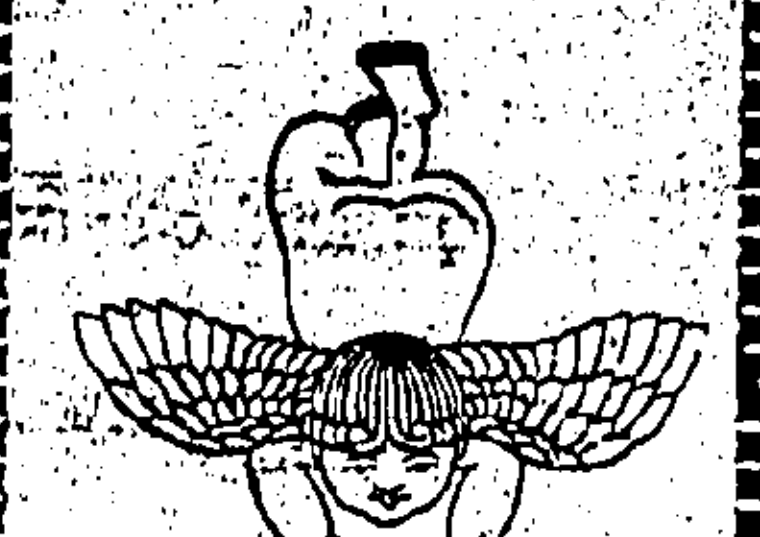
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Manager.
Hongkong, 11th March, 1925.

HONGKONG PROBLEMS.

REVIEWED BY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

LOCAL PIRACY MENACE.

What Has Been Done During Twelve Months.

Many problems vitally concerning the welfare of the Colony are
discussed in the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce's report
which has just been issued.

The summary of the year's
work states that slight progress
has apparently been made with
certain public questions which
occupied a large share of the
Chamber's attention in 1923.
Little has been heard during 1924
of progress with the transfer of
the military establishments from
the centres of Victoria and Kow-
loon; and the Chamber is still
pleading that increased naval
patrols will be a far more effective
method of suppressing piracy
than any further harassment of
trade by making more stringent
the regulations for the provision
of grilles, guards and extensive
and expensive alterations to
construction of existing vessels.

Further reference is made to
this subject in a section of the
Report dealing with "The Piracy
Prevention Problem" in which the
Committee states that a stage was
reached at the end of the year
which it is confidently believed
presages the adoption of radical
measures for the cure of the evil;
namely, the increase of Naval
Patrols—a solution which the
Chamber has consistently pressed
upon the authorities concerned.

An account of the deliberations
of the Piracy Regulations Com-
mittee is given, with a summary
of the "Minority Report" recently
published, and the thanks of the
Chamber are conveyed to the
Hongkong Government and the
Naval Authorities for support
readily given; and to Mr. N. S.
Brown for the keenness and
enthusiasm with which he took up
the question as a member of the
Government Committee and as
the signatory principally respon-
sible for framing the very able
"Minority Report"; also to the
China Association for the prompt
assistance rendered in pressing
the question upon the attention
of the authorities in London.

This chapter also gives an
account of other questions in con-
nection with piracy which have
come before the Chamber during
the year.

Insurance Against Disablement.
Early in the year the important
subject arose of insurance against
death or disablement as a result
of piracy of officers of merchant
ships on the China Coast. The
Government wrote to the Chamber
suggesting that a scheme of
insurance might be operated
either by Government or by a
private Insurance Company some-
what on the lines of the National
Insurance Acts, contribution to be
made by the owners, officers and
the Government. The Committee
gave this question very careful
consideration, and replied to the
Government as follows:

"The Chamber is strongly of
opinion that compensation to both
officers and crews of merchant
ships should be paid in these
cases. On the question of the
source whence compensation
should be drawn, however, the
Chamber desires to point out that
in most cases the liability rests
with the Chinese Government
which fails to fulfil its treaty
obligations by affording to mer-
chant shipping protection from the
depredations of pirates.

"Where piracies occur in Hong-
kong waters or are effected by
pirates embarking in Hongkong it
is suggested that the more
immediate responsibility lies with
the Hongkong Government which
may be considered to assume that
responsibility when it issues
instructions to the officers of mer-
chant ships as to the methods by
which the vessel is to be defended,
lays it down as 'the duty of the
master and other certificated
officers to resist to the uttermost
any piratical attack,' and reserves
the right to disallow the employ-
ment of officers who do not carry
out the Government's instruc-
tions.

"Nor does the Chamber consider
that joint insurance by State,
employers and employees under
the National Health Insurance
Acts affords a true parallel with
the circumstances at present
under consideration. Sickness is
a risk to which the workers in
every occupation are subjected,
whereas the risk of death or dis-
ablement through piracy is a
special and exceptional risk
peculiar to this part of the world
and due solely to the inability of
government authorities to main-
tain law and order.

"The Chamber willingly re-
sponds to the request of the
Government for its views, but
would add that it cannot express
a definite opinion on the subject
because it has no authority to
commit shipowners to acceptance
of either the principle of the
financial obligation or the

their employees. The Chamber
therefore suggests a conference,
at an early date, between the
Government and those immedi-
ately concerned."

The Colonial Secretary, how-
ever, replied that, in order to avoid
delay, it had been thought better
that Government should proceed
independently of the shipping
companies.

The Convoys System.
Correspondence took place in
October between the Government
and the Shipping Companies, the
Government stating that it was
proposed, unless the Companies
saw grounds for objection, to
abandon the convoys system for
vessels on the Canton run. The
reply of the Shipping Companies
was that they "would not object
to the abandonment of the convoys
system provided H.M. Government
could arrange outside protection
from pirates attacking the
steamers"; to which the Govern-
ment rejoined that "in view of the
replies received from the Shipping
Companies concerned, it has been
decided to maintain and enforce
the convoys system for vessels on
the Canton run."

A plan calculated to reduce the
inconvenience of the convoys
system was suggested by the
Harbour Master in a letter to the
Chamber dated 11th December;
namely, that the extra guards be
placed in the slowest ship as
guard ship in lieu of the fastest
ship as heretofore, and that ships
be given the option to proceed
with the guard ship or not, as
they desired. The Committee
wrote that they could see no
objection to these proposals and
would be glad to see them put into
operation as soon as possible, pro-
vided they are not regarded as a
final solution of the Piracy Pre-
vention question.

Harbour Development.
Further discussions of plans for
the commercial development of
Hongkong Harbour, occupying
much time and thought in 1923,
were postponed pending publica-
tion of Mr. John Duncan's Report,
an important and exhaustive docu-
ment which was referred by the
Government to the Chamber on
the last day of the year and has
already received much earnest
consideration from the Committee
in 1925.

Typhoon Warnings.
It was noted in the last annual
report that a sympathetic and
helpful letter had been received
from the Inspector-General of
Customs at Peking (Sir Francis
Aglen, K.B.E.) on the subject of
the proposal for the establishment
of a meteorological and wireless station
on the Pratas Shoal. While it is
impossible to make a definite
statement at the moment, there are
indications (states the Com-
mittee) that the project is within
measurable distance of fulfilment,
if not by the end of the present
typhoon season, certainly in time
for the next. Throughout the
year all the authorities interested
have shown a most encouraging
willingness to press forward the
establishment of this station
which will be of inestimable value
to the shipping and commerce of
Hongkong and a wide area of
South China.

With regard to the request
which has been frequently made
by the Chamber since the Swatow
typhoon of August, 1922, that
Zikawei storm warnings be broad-
casted at the same time as Hong-
kong warnings, the Government
wrote on July 24, that both the
Manila and Zikawei weather re-
ports were being broadcasted by
Cape D'Aguiar immediately on
receipt, on a 600 metre wave
length.

A useful conference took place
with Mr. L. H. King, the Govern-
ment Electrical Engineer, in
April, when it was learned with
much satisfaction that the Gov-
ernment was arranging for the
transmission of weather reports
during periods of typhoons, direct
from the Observatory through
D'Aguiar by remote control; also,
that Mr. King saw no insuperable
technical difficulty to the estab-
lishment on a suitable site of a
permanent transmitting and
receiving station, to be operated
from the Observatory. The calls
upon D'Aguiar in respect of its
proper work—ship-to-shore com-
munication and direction finding
—are so constantly increasing
that it will soon be impossible for
the station to handle meteorologi-
cal messages. It is, therefore,
essential that weather reports
should be received and exchanged
by the Observatory direct through
remote control apparatus, and that

with ordinary traffic. The Cham-
ber, in writing to the Government,
welcomed the prospect of im-
mediate temporary arrangements
to this end and expressed the hope
that they would be made perman-
ent.

Cash Trading in Piece Goods.
It appeared necessary, in the
Autumn, to obtain the confirma-
tion by firms interested in piece
goods of their continued adherence
to the undertaking of March 22,
1915, not to sell Piece Goods
except on a strict cash basis, and
their further undertaking "to
strictly observe the terms of the
Standard Form of Fancy Piece
Goods Contract, agreed upon with
the Chinese Chamber of Com-
merce and the Chinese Piece Goods
Guild on December 14, 1922. In
order to secure the widest possible
adherence to the methods of trad-
ing which piece goods importers,
as a whole, have decided to be in
the best interests of all concerned,
it was decided to invite importers
who are not members of the
Chamber also to subscribe to the
same undertakings. The Secre-
tary accordingly called personally
on about 100 firms and the
signature of practically every firm
interested in the business was
attached to the agreement.

It was highly satisfactory to
find, when canvassing for signa-
tures to the agreement, that main-
tenance of cash trading and a
Standard Contract are universally
considered by importers to be in
the best interests of the Piece
Goods trade. On this there was
complete unanimity. It is mani-
fest that the whole strength and
utility of an agreement of this
nature can rest on no other
foundation than the wholehearted
support, co-operation and
strict adherence to both the letter
and spirit of the agreement is
essential. If loyalty is too greatly
lacking the document becomes so
much waste paper, and the trade
will quickly revert to the unsatis-
factory conditions obtaining some
years ago.

The Committee hopes that all
importers will realize the impor-
tance of these considerations and
will not permit the position to be
undetermined by concessions, which,
however small, tend inevitably
to become larger, and lead to
instability. Cash trading and
freedom from gambling were
surely never more essential to
commercial security than in these
days of chaos in China.

Cost of Living.
At the suggestion of the
Netherlands India Commercial
Bank, the Chamber approached
the Government on the subject of
compiling an index figure of the
cost of living in Hongkong, stating
that such a figure would undoubt-
edly be of considerable value, both
to the Government and the Com-
mercial Community. The Cham-
ber had not the machinery for
collating the necessary statistics,
but suggested that the Govern-
ment might find it possible to
undertake the work, by collabora-
tion between various Depart-
ments, and so make the figures on
this subject which already appear
in the official Trade Returns more
comprehensive.

Obituary.
The Chamber, as well as the
business community, the whole
Colony and China, suffered a very
heavy loss during 1924 in the
lamented death of Mr. A. G.
Stephen, Chief Manager of the
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking
Corporation, and a member of the
General Committee of the Cham-
ber. A resolution of regret and
condolence with the widow and
family was recorded in the
Minutes, and in a letter to Mrs.
Stephen the Chamber wrote:
"Many public tributes have been
paid here to Mr. Stephen's wise
counsel and mature judgment;
which were of inestimable value
in the present political condition
of China and are almost irreplace-
able. We desire to add our tribute
to the great services he rendered
to the Committee of this Chamber
whose members have lost an
esteemed and honoured colleague.
At the same time the Committee
ask you to accept their deep
sympathy with yourself and
family in your bereavement."

Another great loss was sustain-
ed by the Chamber and the com-
mercial community generally by
the untimely death of Mr. A. R.
Lowe. He became the Secretary
of the Chamber in 1902 and re-
mained in that office until the
Secretaryship was assumed by Mr.
E. A. M. Williams in 1907.
Between 1907 and 1916, however,
Mr. Lowe acted as Secretary on
five different occasions. The ser-
vices which he rendered to the
Chamber and to the public in con-
nection with the telephone con-
troversy are fresh in the minds of
all. He was a man of great busi-
ness acumen and was actuated by
a keen sense of public duty; he
several times served the Colony
upon the Legislative Council. A
letter was addressed to Mrs. Lowe
conveying the condolences of the
Committee and members in her
sad bereavement. On the 15th
of the Chamber from the

sing the very great regret of the
members at his impending depar-
ture from the Colony especially as
the cause was an unfortunate
breakdown in health. It was with
very great regret that the news
was received a few months later
that Commander Beckwith had
succumbed to the illness which
had necessitated his retirement.

The death has also to be deplored
of Capt. F. T. Wheeler, Marine
Superintendent of the Indo-China
S.N. Co., Ltd., who was always
ready to place his special know-
ledge and experience in shipping
matters at the disposal of the
Chamber.

An expression of deep sympathy
was conveyed to Messrs. Gerin,
Drevard & Co., in the loss they
sustained in the death of their
partner, Mons. H. G. Gerin, in the
terrible bomb outrage at the
Victoria Hotel, Shamoen, in June.

Trade Facilities Act, 1924.

The Government forwarded for
the information of the Chamber
copy of a circular despatch received
from the Secretary of State for
the Colonies relating to the Trade
Facilities Act, 1924. This mea-
sure gives power to the Treasury,
under certain conditions, to con-
tribute towards interest payable
on loans raised for the purpose of
carrying out public utility under-
takings in any part of the Empire.
In acknowledging this communica-
tion the Chamber noted that this
measure provides facilities for
loans which may be of value in
connection with large Government
schemes now pending; also to
public utility undertakings de-
siring of carrying out schemes
approved by the Colonial Govern-
ment.

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LOCAL SHARE MARKET.

OFFICIAL QUOTATIONS.

MARCH 17.

Nasdaq.

H.S.B.C. T.T. on selling rate

London.....2/5-1/8.

and on Shanghai.....2/3-1/8.

Hongkong Bank 1230 b. 112 1/2

Chartered Bank.....211 1/2

P. & O. Bank.....211 1/2

Indo-China Bank.....1100 b.

Merchants Bank A.B. 220 1/2 b.

do.....218 1/8 b.

Marine Insurance.....741 b. 745 a.

Canton Insurance.....741 b. 745 a.

North China Insurance.....741 b. 745 a.

Union Insurance.....741 b. 745 a.

Insurance Yangtze.....741 b. 745 a.

China Union.....741 b. 745 a.

Far Eastern.....741 b. 745 a.

Fire Insurance.....741 b. 745 a.

China Fire Insurance.....741 b. 745 a.

Hongkong Fire Insurance.....741 b. 745 a.

Shipping.....741 b. 745 a.

H.K. Steamship.....741 b. 745 a.

Hongkong Tugs and Lighter.....741 b. 745 a.

Indo-China (Ref.).....741 b. 745 a.

do.....741 b. 745 a.

do.....741 b. 745 a.

Shell Transport.....741 b. 745 a.

S.S. Ferries.....741 b. 745 a.

Waterways.....741 b. 745 a.

Oriental Nav. Co.....741 b. 745 a.

Refineries.....741 b. 745 a.

China Sugar.....741 b. 745 a.

Malayan Sugar.....741 b. 745 a.

Mining.....741 b. 745 a.

Langkat.....741 b. 745 a.

Shanghai Loans.....741 b. 745 a.

Shai Explorations.....741 b. 745 a.

Single Langkat.....741 b. 745 a.

Ranba.....741 b. 745 a.

Tromp Mines.....741 b. 745 a.

United Carb.....741 b. 745 a.

Benguet Carb.....741 b. 745 a.

Docks, Wharves, Godowns, &c.

H. & K. Wharves.....741 b. 745 a.

H. & W. Dock.....741 b. 745 a.

Shai Docks.....741 b. 745 a.

New Engineering.....741 b. 745 a.

H. K. Engineering.....741 b. 745 a.

Shanghai Dockers.....741 b. 745 a.

EXCHANGE.

Hongkong, March 17th, 1925.

On London.....2/5-1/8.

Bank, Wire.....2/5-1/8.

On demand.....2/5-1/8.

20 days sight.....2/5-1/8.

Credits, 4 months sight.....2/5-1/8.

Documentary, 4 months sight.....2/5-1/8.

On Paris.....104 1/2.

On demand.....104 1/2.

Credits, 4 months sight.....104 1/2.

On demand.....104 1/2.

On New York.....115 1/2.

On demand.....115 1/2.

Credits, 60 days sight.....115 1/2.

On Bombay.....15 1/2.

On demand.....15 1/2.

On Calcutta.....15 1/2.

On demand.....15 1/2.

On Singapore.....97 1/2.

On demand.....97 1/2.

On Manila.....104 1/2.

On demand.....104 1/2.

On Shanghai.....nom.

On demand (private paper).....nom.

On Yokohama.....nom.

On demand.....nom.

Gold Loan, 100 fine (per ton) 47.80

Sovereigns (Bank's buying rate) 5.80

Silver (per oz.) 51 1/16

SUBSIDIARY CITIES.

Hongkong 50 cents sub. par.

do.....10.

Canton coins.....10 1/2 X dia.

Bar Silver in Hongkong.....10 1/2 X dia.

Chinese Copper Cash.....10 1/2 X dia.

Chinese Copper Coins.....10 1/2 X dia.

Rate of Native Interest.....5 1/2 in 7 1/2 out

Chinese Sub. Coins.....10 1/2 X dia.

Hongkong Sub. Coins.....par.

FOR CHILDREN'S BRUISES.

For "black and blue" bruises, sprains
of wrists and ankles, strains of cords
and muscles, stubbed toes, cuts, burns
and other mishaps of childhood, Cham-
berlain's Pain Balm always gives relief.
Does just as much for older people too.
Eases their rheumatic pains, backaches
and neuralgia. Just rub it on the sore
spots. Sold and recommended every-
where.

THE BANK OF EAST ASIA, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE: HONGKONG.

Authorized Capital.....\$10,000,000.

Paid-Up Capital.....\$5,000,000.

Reserve Fund.....\$1,000,000.

DIRECTORS:

Hon. Mr. Chow Shou San—Chairman

Fung Ping Shan—Hon. Mr. Koo

Li Koon Chun—Hon. Mr. Koo

P. K. Kwok—Hon. Mr. Koo

Ng Ching Luk—Hon. Mr. Koo

Fong Wai Tung—Hon. Mr. Koo

Every description of Banking and Exchange
business transacted. Loans granted on
approved securities.

SAFE DEPOSIT BOXES to let.

KAN TONG FO.

Hongkong, 14th February, 1925.

NEDERLANDSCHE HANDEL MAATSCHAPPIJ.

(NEDERLANDSE TRADING SOCIETY.)

ESTABLISHED 1824.

HONGKONG BRANCH ESTABLISHED 1904.

Authorized Capital.....\$1,500,000.

Paid-Up Capital.....\$1,000,000.

Reserve Fund.....\$500,000.

FOR SALE.

SAMLI (Shanghai Fish)

Frozen by A. J. A. O'Brien's Improved Patent method which preserves its original flavor and quality. Upon receipt always appreciated. Fish firm as fresh fish.

To be obtained only from **KWONG LUNG** Comptroller

68, Des Voeux Road, C. Tel. D. 128

Sole agent for Hongkong for **THE CHINA REFRIGERATING & ICE-MAKING CO., LTD.**

— and also —

from **THE DAIRY FARM ICE & COLD STORAGE CO., LTD.**

JUST ARRIVED

A FEW

RUSSIAN DELICACIES

BLACK CAVIAR in tins of 3 oz. ... \$1.30

RED CAVIAR in jar of 14 oz. ... \$1.25

SALTED HERRINGS each ... \$0.15

BLACK OLIVES ... \$0.80

THE FRENCH STORE

No. 9, Beaconsfield Avenue.

Tel. Central 794.

THE AUCTIONEERING & BROKERING CO., LTD.

88, Duddell Street.

FURNITURE AUCTIONS every **TUESDAY AND FRIDAY** at 2.30 p.m.

L. E. S. HODGE, Auctioneer.

NOTICE.

STORAGE Space on Marine Lots with Godown and Chinese Houses to Let.

W. S. BAILEY & CO., LTD., Kowloon Bay.

Hongkong, November 3, 1924.

No Corn Can Resist "Gets-It"

No matter how long you've had your corn, how bad they may be, whether hard or soft, or what you have tried, believe this—"Gets-It" will cure corns in ten days, and quickly you can lift the corn right off the foot, with the fingers. It ends all pain, the corns disappear. Millions use it. Money back guaranteed. Write for a trial—everywhere. E. Lawrence & Co., Ltd., Chicago. Sold in this city by



HONGKONG HEIGHTS.

For the information of visitors the following list of some of the highest points on the Island and Mainland is published:—

ISLAND.

Signal Station	1774
Mt. Parker	1734
Mountain Lodge	1735
The Eyrie	1735
Peak Hotel	1808
Taikoo Sanatorium	1008
Mt. Davis	877
Bowen Rd. (filterbeds)	297

MAINLAND.

Taiwan	8124
Kowloon Peak	1971

FINE JEWELLERY

Engagement, Wedding & Wedding Rings

A SPECIALTY.

All of highest grade in the Colony

WINDSOR BROS.

No. 55 Nathan Road, Kowloon.

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51 PREPAID

Every additional word 4 Cents for 3 insertions.

LOST.

ON FRIDAY, March 13, a large crescent-shaped pearl and sapphire brooch between Queen's Road, Des Voeux Road (Sincere's and the Sun Co.) and the Dairy Farm Co. Twenty Dollars reward if brooch is returned to No. 1 Warrant Officers' Quarters, Kennedy Road.

TO LET.

Two LET.—From June 1, 1925, two OFFICE ROOMS, 2nd floor, New Bank Building. Most suitable for share or exchange brokers. Apply to Sang Kee, same Building.

TO LET.—Two Godowns, or shops, in DUDELL STREET

For Particulars apply to: H. Ruttenberg & Son, 16, Queen's Road.

PREMISES VACANT.

SHORTLY available for rental on lease ground floor premises at 16, Des Voeux Road Central (adjoining the Hongkong Hotel), suitable for departmental stores. The premises may be let either as a whole or in three sections. For particulars please apply to The Hongkong and Shanghai Hotels Ltd (2nd floor) at Address given.

INTIMATIONS.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

THE SECOND EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held (weather permitting) at Happy Valley, on SATURDAY, 21st March, 1925, commencing at 2.30 p.m. The first ball will be rung at 2 p.m.

The Charge for admission to the Public Enclosure will be \$1. Soldiers and Sailors in uniform half Price.

Members are advised that they must show their Season Tickets to obtain admission to the Members' Enclosure.

Each member has the right of introducing 2 non-members to the Members' Enclosure, tickets for whom can be obtained from Messrs. Lindest & Davis at \$5 each up to FRIDAY 20th March.

The Stewards invite the Ladies of Hongkong to be present.

Hongkong, 16th March, 1925.

CHINA SUGAR REFINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE Forty-seventh Ordinary Annual Meeting of the Shareholders of the above Company will be held at the Offices of the General Agents, Pedder Street, on TUESDAY, the 31st March, 1925, at 11 a.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December 1924.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 17th to the 31st March 1925, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD. General Agents.

Hongkong, 11th March, 1925.

FOR ANEURISM, CANCER ETC.

A new medicine for the cure of Aneurism, Cancer and Carbuncle by Injection and Internal use.

Most physicians and surgeons have expressed the opinion that Aneurism, Cancer and Carbuncle are incurable and many deaths have been caused by these three diseases. Dr. T. Matsuoka, M. B., Professor of the Japanese Imperial University has made a careful study of these diseases for several years and has at last discovered the use of "CARCINOLYSIN" for injection and internal use. A large number of Japanese patients have been cured by the use of this medicine and it is now becoming well known for its curative properties.

Foreigners have always died of these diseases owing to failure to find a remedy.

Of late Dr. Sun Yat Sen is suffering from cancer of the liver which is a phase of one of the above-mentioned diseases. These suffering from this disease will gradually develop liver, nervous pain, urinary troubles, bad appetite, dysentery and vomiting.

Victims of this disease are advised to immediately procure "CARCINOLYSIN" from our agents and by taking this internally, or by injection, the progress of the disease will be stopped and results quickly obtained.

Cancer glands will disappear and swollen ulcers be reduced to a minimum quickly and easily by the use of "CARCINOLYSIN". Those having hereditary disease are advised to take "CARCINOLYSIN" in order to check its activities.

HIGH CLASS BOOTS AND SHOES



Made to order. **ROYAL & CO.** No. 1, D'Almeida Street.

INTIMATIONS.

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Union Insurance Society of Canton, Limited, will be held at the Head Office of the Society, Union Building, Hongkong, on TUESDAY, the 19th day of March, 1925, at 12 o'clock Noon, when the subject of the Resolution will be proposed as an Ordinary Resolution, viz:—

"That out of the unissued capital of the Society there be issued 25,000 shares of £10 each entitled as paid-up to the extent of £4 per share ranking for dividend and in all other respects *pari passu* with the shares of the Society already issued; and that the said additional shares shall so far as shall be necessary for the purpose be allotted to those Shareholders of the Yangtze Insurance Association, Limited, who have accepted or shall accept the offer of the Society made to them on the 3rd day of December, 1924 (being an offer to acquire shares in the Association) and that the balance (if any) of the said additional shares may be allotted and disposed of by the Society's Board of Directors in such manner as such Board shall think most beneficial to the Society."

Dated the 9th day of March, 1925.

By Order of the Board, **PAUL LAUDER,** General Manager.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FORTIETH ANNUAL ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company (since re-registration) will be held at the Hongkong Hotel, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 21st March, 1925, at 11 a.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st October, 1924.

The REGISTER OF SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 16th day of March, to MONDAY, the 23rd day of March, 1925, both days inclusive, during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, General Managers.

Hongkong, 10th March, 1925.

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Fifty-sixth Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Office of the undersigned on FRIDAY, the 27th March 1925, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December 1924.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 13th to the 27th March 1925, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD. General Managers.

Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd. Hongkong, 7th March, 1925.

THE HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders will be held in the Office of the Company, 2 Queen's Buildings, Hongkong, on MONDAY, the 30th March, 1925, at Noon, for consideration of the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1924.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 20th to the 30th March 1925, (both days inclusive).

By Order of the Board of Directors, **R. M. DYER,** Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 12th March, 1925.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Ordinary General Meeting of the above Company will be held at the Company's Office, 20, Des Voeux Road Central on SATURDAY, the 28th of March, 1925 at 11 a.m.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 21st March to 28th of March, both days inclusive.

DOUGLAS LAPEERE & CO. General Managers.

Hongkong, 13th March, 1925.

HONGKONG PROBLEMS.

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Japanese Earthquake Disaster.

On March 24 the final accounts of the Japanese Earthquake Disaster Hongkong Relief Fund were laid before the Governor, and His Excellency, through the Colonial Secretary, expressed to the members of the Relief Fund Committee his great appreciation of the work done by them. As stated in the last annual report, the balance in hand at the end of March amounted to \$115,000 and was dealt with as follows:—

Yen 50,000 was contributed for the purpose of meeting deficit on the working of the a.s. "Tai Wayfoong" and Yen 88,000 was remitted to the Kobe Relief Committee—half to meet the needs of the Japanese sufferers and half to meet the needs of foreigners other than Japanese, and including British and Chinese.

The Chairman of the Finance Committee of the Earthquake Relief Fund, Kobe, wrote:—"May I ask you to convey to your Committee our deep sense of appreciation, and gratitude, for this splendid and timely donation. We had come almost to the end of our resources, while there are still frequent requests for assistance from deserving cases which could not be met, excepting for this unlooked-for donation from you."

In November the Japan United Foreign Board of Trade, Yokohama, informed the Hongkong Relief Committee that the Relief Ship "Tai Wayfoong" would close its accounts in the near future with a credit balance of about Yen 15,000 and they suggested that the balance vested in the British Consul, Yokohama, and the Managers of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank and Chartered Bank, Yokohama, for the purpose of affording general relief to sufferers from the Earthquake who might still require assistance.

The Committee of the Japan United Foreign Board of Trade took the opportunity of acknowledging the great assistance which the contributions made by the Hongkong Relief Committee had afforded towards the re-establishment of foreign business houses in Yokohama. The method proposed for dealing with the surplus was approved by the Hongkong Relief Committee.

Motor Engines for Fishing Junks. The Harbour Master brought to the attention of the Chamber, with a view to the exploration of the commercial possibilities opened up, an application by a fishing junk owner for permission to fit his new junk with a motor. The junk owner proposed to install a 100 h.p. engine, made in the interior, for which he intended to pay \$10,000. The Harbour Master pointed out that there are five to six thousand fishing boats licensed in Hongkong and it should not be many years before, as in the case of the other fishing fleets of the world, auxiliary power will be introduced in the majority of the boats. He suggested that British firms might be interested to go into the question of producing a suitable engine, the main requirements being simplicity and sufficient power to propel a junk 80 to 90 feet long and of two to three thousand, piculs capacity at a speed of five or six knots. A number of local firms have since thoroughly investigated the problem.

Recreation for Crews in Port. At the instance of Captain C. B. Riggs, Manager of Holt's Wharf, the Chamber called the attention of the Government to the need for recreational facilities for the crews of steamers in Port. What they needed, it was suggested, was playing space for football near the principal wharves—the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co. and Holt's Wharf. After considerable correspondence between Shipping Companies and the Chamber directed to ascertaining the approximate extent of the facilities required, it was arranged that ships' crews could use the ground of the Railway Recreation Club at a fee of \$5 for each occasion, such contribution to cover the provision of footballs and necessary gear. The thanks of the Chamber and of the Shipping Companies concerned were conveyed to the Government for the helpful support given in the matter.

Tobacco Duties in Hongkong. The Chamber was asked to take up the question of the nature and amount of duty now levied on cigarettes in Hongkong which, it was urged, was impeding the expansion of business and proving inequitable both to distributors and consumers. The duties were increased in 1921 to offset an anticipated decrease (which did not occur) in the revenues of the Colony. The method of assessing duty is considered by firms concerned to be inequitable in so far as the major burden of taxation now falls upon consumers of low-priced cigarettes, who constitute the poorer classes of the community.

For example, it was pointed out that cigarettes priced at 88¢ a case paid duty at the rate of 63 per cent.; a brand priced at \$250 paid at 30 per cent.; a brand at \$1,175 at 23 per cent. and a high grade at \$1,946 paid 14 per cent. The method of computing taxation, based on the weight of tobacco, is criticised as cumbersome, hindering trade on account of difficulty in adjusting prices.

Furthermore, as is well known, the Chinese Authorities' watch taxation measures in Hongkong with great care, and are only too apt to use them as an excuse for new taxation. Canton was undoubtedly influenced by Hongkong's policy of high taxation when imposing a 20 per cent. surtax on cigarettes.

The Chamber requested that the subject of an adjustment of the taxation on tobacco used in the manufacture of cigarettes by the Government, but the Government contented itself with replying that it had carefully considered the arguments which had been advanced in favour of an ad valorem tax, but it is satisfied that, from the point of view of the Colony as a whole, the existing system of taxation is preferable.

Philippine Islands and Prohibition. The American Consul-in-Charge in Hongkong notified in September that, as a result of a decision that the Eighteenth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States extends to the Philippine Islands, he had received instructions not to clear or grant bills of health to vessels on which liquor for beverage purposes is loaded for delivery there. This position caused difficulty to wine merchants in the Colony who had cargoes en route for Manila, and the Chamber was appealed to with the request that it would use its good offices to bring about some solution of the difficulty. On enquiry, however, it was found that the authorities at Manila were not insisting on the exclusion of alcoholic beverages, and such cargoes were not in practice subject to serious impediment.

University of Hongkong. In 1921, a number of firms and individuals, members of the Chamber, pledged themselves to contribute a sum of \$20,000 annually, \$12,000 to be devoted to provide the salary of a whole time lecturer in the Commercial Course for a period of five years and \$8,000 to assist in maintaining qualified teachers for the Primary and Secondary Schools of the Church Missionary Society at Canton.

The last payment under this arrangement will be made in 1925. The Vice-Chancellor accordingly wrote in July enquiring whether the annual contribution of \$12,000 was likely to be continued and if so, on what conditions. He was informed that it is considered unlikely that it will be possible to raise so large a sum as \$12,000 in the near future. The present undertaking was entered upon at a time of exceptional prosperity of which, in view of present political conditions in China, there is at present no sign of recurrence.

This question, with the grant to Holy Trinity College, Canton will come up for settlement during the present year.

Canton Harbour Improvement. The Committee has watched with keen interest efforts made at Canton during the last year or more to secure much needed improvements of the River, the state of which is an increasing hindrance and danger to navigation. A year ago the Committee suggested to the Canton Chamber that the political situation offered so many obstacles to action on broad comprehensive lines, that great difficulty and delay would attend any endeavour to establish a Conservancy Board at present, and advised an informal appeal to the Inspector-General of Customs urging him to institute works likely to afford tangible and immediate relief. Sir Francis Aglen was approached accordingly, but replied that he had no funds available for river conservancy, and recommended a conservancy scheme, the necessary funds to be derived from a local surtax on revenue with contributions from shipping in the form of dues. The Canton British Chamber therefore pressed forward energetically with a conservancy scheme, securing, towards the end of the year, the support of a meeting of all foreign merchants to the following resolution:—

That subject to adequate guarantees that the money collected shall not be appropriated to purposes not sanctioned by a representative Board and provided it is spent according to the direction of such a Board this meeting of Foreign Merchants is prepared to agree to the following Surtax proposals provided there is adequate foreign representation:—

(a) A surtax of 5 per cent. on all dues and duties collected by the Maritime Customs with the exception of tonnage dues and transit passes shall be collected by the Maritime Customs.

(b) A levy of 2 Hk. tael cents per net registered ton on all vessels over 350 tons net registered tonnage entering the port.

This section does not apply to steamers dealt with under heading (d).

(c) Duty-free goods to pay 2½ per mille ad valorem with the exception of treasure which shall be exempted from the surtax.

(d) A levy of ¼ Hk. tael cent per net registered ton per clearance on all river steamers on a regular run over 350 tons net registered tonnage entering the port. This shall include steamers regularly plying between Hongkong and Canton.

(e) A surtax at the rate of one half present examination fee on the examination fees paid to the Native Customs shall be levied as surtax for conservancy funds.

The next step is to obtain the support of Chinese merchants who have expressed, individually, their sympathy with the project.

Secretaryship. The Committee sincerely regretted to learn, at the end of the year, that Mr. D. K. Blair, Secretary of the Chamber, who was on sick leave during 1924, had made such slight progress towards recovery that medical opinion was adverse to his returning to Hongkong. Mr. Blair tendered his resignation, which was accepted with much regret, the Committee expressing on behalf of the Chamber, keen appreciation of valuable services rendered in the Secretaryship during many years. Members will wish him an ultimate complete recovery to health. Mr. M. F. Key has been appointed Secretary.

Membership. During 1924 the following new members were elected by the Com-

mittee, and their election requires the usual confirmation by the general body of members:—

Messrs. Dickson, Parker & Co., Ltd.

Messrs. Edward Wheen & Sons, Ltd.

Messrs. Jensen & Co.

Messrs. Wm. Meyerink & Co.

Messrs. Melchers & Co.

Messrs. Carlowitz & Co.

The Central Agency, Ltd.

The Taising Paper Mfg. Co., Ltd.

Messrs. Bornemann & Co.

The Compagnie Optorg.

Messrs. Siemens & Co.

Messrs. P. M. Pinguet & Co.

Messrs. Reuter, Brockelmann & Co.

Messrs. A. & S. Henry & Co., Ltd.

The Canton Trading Association.

The Chamber at December 31 comprised 164 firms and 15 individual members.

General. Reference is made to the Shamen Labour Dispute as to which it is remarked that the main difficulty experienced by the Committee was that Hongkong received very little information as to the progress of events during the strike, although the interests of the two ports are indissolubly associated. Negotiations have since taken place with the object of securing closer co-operation and exchange of views in the event of a similar unfortunate incident arising in the future. Indeed, close working between the Chambers of Commerce in Canton and Hongkong is no less desirable in normal times than in times of crisis.

The troubles in China and in Canton during the year led the Chinese Fleece Goods Guild to suggest, as a temporary measure, an extension of the clearance period for piece goods. The Committee, in reply, expressed to all members of the Guild the utmost sympathy with them in their many vicissitudes through which China had

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(e) A surtax at the rate of one half present examination fee on the examination fees paid to the Native Customs shall be levied as surtax for conservancy funds.

The next step is to obtain the support of Chinese merchants who have expressed, individually, their sympathy with the project.

Secretaryship. The Committee sincerely regretted to learn, at the end of the year, that Mr. D. K. Blair, Secretary of the Chamber, who was on sick leave during 1924, had made such slight progress towards recovery that medical opinion was adverse to his returning to Hongkong. Mr. Blair tendered his resignation, which was accepted with much regret, the Committee expressing on behalf of the Chamber, keen appreciation of valuable services rendered in the Secretaryship during many years. Members will wish him an ultimate complete recovery to health. Mr. M. F. Key has been appointed Secretary.

Membership. During 1924 the following new members were elected by the Com-

mittee, and their election requires the usual confirmation by the general body of members:—

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"KASHGAR"	9,005	20th Mar.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"KARMALA"	9,159	21st Mar.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"MIRZAPUR"	6,710	22nd Mar.	Singapore and Bombay
"RHOILA"	6,813	23rd Mar.	Singapore, Penang, Colbo & Bombay
"MANTU"	6,813	24th Mar.	Marseilles and London
"MACDONIA"	11,680	25th Mar.	Singapore, Penang, Colbo & Bombay
"SARDINIA"	6,884	26th Mar.	Marseilles and London
"NAGOVA"	6,788	27th Mar.	Singapore, Penang, Colbo & Bombay
"SOUDAN"	6,788	28th Mar.	Singapore, Penang, Colbo & Bombay
"MOREA"	10,911	29th Mar.	Marseilles and London
"SIOZIA"	6,813	30th Mar.	Singapore, Penang, Colbo & Bombay
"SALYA"	6,813	31st Mar.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"DELA"	6,807	1st Apr.	Marseilles and London
"MALWA"	10,941	2nd Apr.	Singapore, Penang, Colbo & Bombay
"KASHMIR"	6,884	3rd Apr.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"SARDINIA"	6,884	4th Apr.	Marseilles and London
"MANTU"	10,902	5th Apr.	Singapore, Penang, Colbo & Bombay
"KASHGAR"	9,115	6th Apr.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"MACDONIA"	11,680	7th Apr.	Singapore, Penang, Colbo & Bombay
"KARMALA"	9,159	8th Apr.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"NARKUNDA"	16,327	9th Apr.	Marseilles and London

BRITISH INDIA-APCAR SAILINGS (South)			
Ship	Tons	From	Destination
"TAKADA"	6,946	1st Apr.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta
"TALMA"	10,000	2nd Apr.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta
"TILWA"	10,000	3rd Apr.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta
"TALAMBA"	6,018	4th Apr.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta
"TAKIWA"	7,236	5th Apr.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta
"TAKIWA"	7,236	6th Apr.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta
"TAKIWA"	7,236	7th Apr.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta

EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)			
Ship	Tons	From	Destination
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	1st Apr.	Manila, Fardaken, Thursday Isl. and
"TANDA"	4,500	2nd Apr.	Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and
"ARAFURA"	4,500	3rd Apr.	Melbourne
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	4th Apr.	Manila, Fardaken, Thursday Isl. and
"TANDA"	4,500	5th Apr.	Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and
"ARAFURA"	4,500	6th Apr.	Melbourne

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Ship	Tons	From	Destination
"KARMALA"	9,159	18th Mar.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"TALMA"	10,000	19th Mar.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama
"TAKIWA"	7,236	20th Mar.	Kobe and Moji
"TILWA"	10,000	21st Mar.	Shanghai and Kobe
"TALAMBA"	6,018	22nd Mar.	Shanghai and Kobe
"SARDINIA"	6,884	23rd Mar.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"NAGOVA"	6,788	24th Mar.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"TAKIWA"	7,236	25th Mar.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"SOUDAN"	6,788	26th Mar.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"MOREA"	10,911	27th Mar.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"TAKADA"	6,946	28th Mar.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"TALMA"	10,000	29th Mar.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"TILWA"	10,000	30th Mar.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"TALAMBA"	6,018	31st Mar.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"SARDINIA"	6,884	1st Apr.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"NAGOVA"	6,788	2nd Apr.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"TAKIWA"	7,236	3rd Apr.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"SOUDAN"	6,788	4th Apr.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"MOREA"	10,911	5th Apr.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"TAKADA"	6,946	6th Apr.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"TALMA"	10,000	7th Apr.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"TILWA"	10,000	8th Apr.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"TALAMBA"	6,018	9th Apr.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"SARDINIA"	6,884	10th Apr.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"NAGOVA"	6,788	11th Apr.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"TAKIWA"	7,236	12th Apr.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"SOUDAN"	6,788	13th Apr.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"MOREA"	10,911	14th Apr.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"TAKADA"	6,946	15th Apr.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"TALMA"	10,000	16th Apr.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"TILWA"	10,000	17th Apr.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"TALAMBA"	6,018	18th Apr.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"SARDINIA"	6,884	19th Apr.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"NAGOVA"	6,788	20th Apr.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"TAKIWA"	7,236	21st Apr.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"SOUDAN"	6,788	22nd Apr.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"MOREA"	10,911	23rd Apr.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"TAKADA"	6,946	24th Apr.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"TALMA"	10,000	25th Apr.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"TILWA"	10,000	26th Apr.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"TALAMBA"	6,018	27th Apr.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"SARDINIA"	6,884	28th Apr.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"NAGOVA"	6,788	29th Apr.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"TAKIWA"	7,236	30th Apr.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"SOUDAN"	6,788	1st May	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"MOREA"	10,911	2nd May	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"TAKADA"	6,946	3rd May	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"TALMA"	10,000	4th May	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"TILWA"	10,000	5th May	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"TALAMBA"	6,018	6th May	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"SARDINIA"	6,884	7th May	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"NAGOVA"	6,788	8th May	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"TAKIWA"	7,236	9th May	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"SOUDAN"	6,788	10th May	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"MOREA"	10,911	11th May	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"TAKADA"	6,946	12th May	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"TALMA"	10,000	13th May	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"TILWA"	10,000	14th May	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"TALAMBA"	6,018	15th May	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"SARDINIA"	6,884	16th May	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"NAGOVA"	6,788	17th May	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"TAKIWA"	7,236	18th May	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
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"TAKIWA"	7,236	27th May	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"SOUDAN"	6,788	28th May	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"MOREA"	10,911	29th May	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"TAKADA"	6,946	30th May	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"TALMA"	10,000	31st May	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe

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YESTERDAY'S UNFINISHED MATCH

Several matches were down for decision in the H.K.C.C. lawn tennis tournament yesterday evening, the 'tit-bit' of which was an open doubles tie between Lt. Col. Montague Bates and Captain West v. T. Lay and N. Trambitzky. Lay had done very well at last year's tournament but he was full of nerves in the first two sets yesterday. With his partner, he is considered one of the best of the Kowloon C.C. combinations. West was slightly the better of the military couple, winning applause for smart placing and lively volleying. With the score two sets all, the match was abandoned owing to the falling light and will be replayed.

Results follow:
Open Championship Singles (first round)—Lt. Peng-chin beat F. A. Henslowe 6-4, 6-4, 1-6, 6-2. W. H. Choa beat W. E. Crocker 7-5, 6-2, 6-4.
Open Championship Doubles (second round)—C. Chok and J. Choa beat Doo Tak-sang and Hon Lun-fung 6-2, 6-2, 6-2. Lt. Col. Montague Bates and Captain R. H. P. West v. T. Lay and N. Trambitzky (unfinished) 6-3, 2-6, 5-7, 13-11.

Handicap Singles "B" (first round)—M. M. Watson (rec. 15) beat W. Woodard (scr.) 8-10, 6-1, 6-2. L. M. S. Lloyd (owe 3/6) beat W. Lithgow Smith (rec. 15) 6-3, 6-1. (Second round)—Captain L. W. Bennett (rec. 3/6) beat Captain C. J. F. Beusley (rec. 3/6) 7-5, 9-0. Mixed Doubles (second round)—W. Ironside and Mrs. Ironside (rec. 4/6) beat O. C. Womack and Mrs. Womack (rec. 3/6) 6-3, 7-5.

To-day's Programme.
Open Championship Singles (first round)—R. Tsurumi v. Lt. Col. Montague Bates; Captain R. H. P. West v. Dr. D. J. Valentine. (Second round)—S. A. Rumjahn v. N. Nomura; Captain C. T. O'Callaghan v. H. Yoshida.
Open Championship Doubles (second round)—J. Takikawa and T. Yamada v. I. M. Resack and J. A. Cassimboy.
Club Championship (first round)—A. K. Mackenzie v. S. E. Green.
Handicap Singles "B" (second round)—E. J. R. Mitchell (owe 3/6) v. M. M. Watson (rec. 15); Lt. Col. E. D. Matthews (owe 2/6) v. G. de Man (scr.).

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The following have entered for the Hongkong Billiard championship under the auspices of the V. R. C.:

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LEAGUE CRICKET

I. R. C. AND K. C. CLUB

The following have been chosen to represent the I. R. C. Recreation Club, 2nd XI, in a junior league match with the H.K.C.C. 2nd XI, on Saturday at 2 p.m. at the I.R.C. ground, Sookumpoo.—Sirdar Khan (Capt.), D. Ramjahn, S. A. R. Ismail, N. B. Kitchell, H. D. Rumjahn, M. P. Midar, Y. A. Wahab, J. S. Attkin, P. M. Arculli, A. R. Minu, J. S. Cassimboy and reserves, E. A. Moosdeen, A. R. Samy.

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The Company's steamer "LONDON MARU" having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified that their goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where delivery can be obtained as soon as the goods are landed.

Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignee's representatives and the Company's Surveyors, Messrs. Goddard and Douglas, at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, and Saturday. All claims must be presented within Ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized. No claim will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

No fire insurance whatever will be effected.
Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for counter-signatures immediately.

OSAKA SJOSEN KAISHA.
M. TAKEUCHI,
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Hongkong, 10th March, 1925.

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No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 22nd inst. will be subject to rent. All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 1st prox. or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 31st inst. at 10 a.m. by our surveyors Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

No fire insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by—

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All broken, chafed, and damaged cargo will be examined by Messrs. Anderson and Ashe, (Marine Surveyors) at the Godown, on 21st March, 1925, at 10 a.m.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the steamer or Godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after 22nd March, 1925, will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before 29th March, 1925, or they will not be recognized.

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MITCHELL.—On March 17, at
the French Hospital, to Mr.
and Mrs. Eric Mitchell, a
daughter.

Hongkong, Tuesday, March 17, 1925.

MODEL REPORT.

What the Chamber of Com-
merce thinks to-day the Govern-
ment does to-morrow! Maybe.
But what the Chamber of Com-
merce thinks to-day the Colony
also thinks to-day. That is why
the annual report of the Chamber
of Commerce—in its new form—
is such a valuable document. It
provides an excellent index to
current opinion upon such vital
public questions as the piracy
menace, wireless, and typhoon
dangers, not to mention also the
many purely commercial matters
fackled by the Chamber of Com-
merce during the year. The
"China Mail," which once printed
an amusing skit from a well-
known pen on the "polite letter
writer" method of the Chamber of
Commerce annual report may be
permitted a word of congratula-
tion on the new format. This
year which comprises "in com-paratively brief compass—a read-
able summary of the Chamber's
chief activities and, in addition,
much useful additional matter
which appears for the first time
though, as a matter of fact, it is
the kind of information which a
Chamber of Commerce might
reasonably be expected to provide
for its constituents. But better
late than never. In a convenient
and attractively arranged volume
of about a quarter the usual size,
members are provided, in addition
to the record of the year's work,
with the following amongst other
items: A report on local trade
in 1924; statistics of the principal
items of import and export; an
illustrated summary of Mr. John
Duncan's recent report on the
commercial development of the
Port and an interesting article
giving an account of local wire-
less development in 1924.Another useful "feature" is a re-
markable table showing the
periodical sailings of all the prin-
cipal steamship lines operating
from or represented in Hongkong.
For the benefit, it is explained, of
overseas readers of the report, a
general description is given of the
Colony and University, its ship-
building and other industries
cargo handling facilities and
commercial activities; also a
business directory of members of
the Chamber, aimed to promote
more rapid contact between mer-
chants here and overseas. De-
veloped along these lines the
annual report of the Chamber
will soon rank as an important
local publication, and one likely
to be of real use in fostering the
commerce of the Colony.

Register Servants.

The case for the registration of
servants is "unanswerable." Its
weakest point is that it would
probably create another Govern-
ment Department with, probably,
another set of officials, leading to
expense of upkeep. The exact
number of servants to each house-
hold cannot be cited. Given an
average of three, a fairly approxi-
mate total may be reached. The
number suggested, obviously, is
large. A fee from each servant
would meet the cost of a registra-tion department. We should get
a better standard of servant and
certainly a more honest one; and
a saving of the time of police
officials. Recent events bear this
out. How many of the burglaries
which have taken place have been
planned by those with a previous
knowledge of the house and the
ways of its inmates? Common-
sense dictates that the percentage
is high. An assistant cook
attempts to rob a European lady;
a sentence of nine months may
teach him wisdom. It will prob-
ably send him back, under another
name, an "experienced" cook or
boy, with a penchant for picking
up unconsidered trifles. It may
not be possible to inculcate honest
habits by means of registration;
it is more likely to do so than the
haphazard methods which prevail
at present and which are a burden
to housekeepers and police alike.

"Trick Cyclists."

A fine of \$5 per boy, (\$2 for
the small boy) is likely to make
young Chinese "trick cyclists"
think again before venturing their
powers in Statue Square. They
may think—as boys will—that
grown-ups are abominably un-
reasonable. What is the good of
a bicycle if you can't master it
and show your friends what you
can do with it? These
things show how lamentably poor
is the Colony in regard to open
spaces. Boys play football in a
healthy game; but they play it in
the street, and that causes
annoyance to grown-ups; they do
wonderful things on bicycles. But
again it annoys the grown-ups. It
pans out as a warfare between
"crabbed age and youth," and one
has a duty—each to the other. We
would far rather have boys play-
ing games and riding "bikes,"
than loafing about. Well then, let
the grown-ups help the young ones.
We want open spaces
where, in such a crowded place as
Hongkong, the young ones can
play and do their "tricks" on
cycles to their hearts content.
Given this, the young ones will
have no excuse, and traffic inspec-
tors can divert their energies in
more legitimate channels. We are
so congested, and have progressed
so much, that open spaces seem
out of the question. . . . Wonder
if it is possible to spare a slice of
the Military Lands for "The
Children's Open Space."

That Extra Hour.

The second passing of the Bill
to enact summer-time yearly, in
permanent form instead of by
annual legislation should serve to
remind the Hongkong Govern-
ment of the advantages which
would accrue from some such
legislation here, advantages which
have been stressed in these
columns on many occasions.
Perhaps the most vital reason
why such a measure should be
applied to Hongkong is the extra
hour it would give to
youths here, who because they
cannot get away from their
offices until it is too late to partici-
pate in out-door recreation drift
anywhere and everywhere in the
interval between then and dinner
time, often drinking far more
than is good either for themselves
or their pockets. The people who
ought to open their eyes a little
more widely to the benefits of an
"earlier in the morning and
earlier away in the evening"
policy are the employers, for it
has been proved by many large
houses at home and in America
that summer time is both produc-
tive of a better spirit and of
greater efficiency. Therefore
the Government might well con-
sider how generally beneficial the
introduction of some measure of
daylight saving would prove to
the Colony.

"TRIPLITS."

For the success of their song at
the annual regathering of Old
Boys of Queen's College on Sat-
urday night the Triplets (Messrs.
Hamilton, Edwards and Fletcher)
were recalled and presented with
a bouquet of vegetables. By
special request they then gave
"The Massacre of the Masters."
Following is a verse of the
Triplets' song, which was written
by Mr. W. Kay—
A. T. H. The "Tai Sin Sang"
Tanner was born to be
boss
And designed by the
Gods for the part
J. C. F. Discuss a stiff book with
philosophical croak
And you'll win a way
into his heart.
E. J. E. This drivel was written
by Kay Wal Lam,
He edits our Y. D.
A. T. H. Meacock, Campbell, and
"Lay See Ton."
J. C. F. Updell, Evans, and
Wallington
E. J. E. Tolley, and we (Not for-
getting Ah Sun)
We all work in Q.C.

TYPHOON WARNINGS.

CHINESE NAVY BOATS
MISSION.

PRATAS SURVEY WORK.

Believed to be going down to
the Pratas Shoal in connection
with the task of erecting a wireless
station, is a vessel resembling a
pleasure yacht belonging to the
Chinese Navy.With her elegant lines showing
clearly on the smooth water and
part of her crew mustered on deck,
the Kan Lu moved slowly into
position just on noon to-day, to be
tied up to a buoy in the fairway
in front she flew the five-barred
Chinese national flag and at her
stern, the Chinese naval ensign.
She has one large funnel midships
and gives the appearance of being
able to command good speed.
Inquiries by the "China Mail"
revealed that the Kan Lu as she is
now called, was purchased recently
from Europe where she had been
under the name of Atalanta and
had probably been intended for a
pleasure yacht. She is attached
to the Hydrographic Department
of the Chinese Admiralty, Peking,
and on her way down to Hainan
Island.A few weeks ago it was
announced in the "China Mail"
that the Chinese Navy would un-
dertake the erection of a station,
equipped with wireless, for taking
meteorological observations on
the Pratas. It was understood
that some of the rocky
pinnacles had been cleared
and that the work of surveying
would shortly be put in hand.
Apparently, the Kan Lu is now
proceeding to fulfil that mission.
If so, it will be a satisfaction to all
and to China Coast shipping in
particular, that the long hoped for
wireless station will soon be an
accomplished fact. As is generally
known, Hongkong would benefit to
a large extent by regular weather
reports from the Pratas, across
which the majority of visiting
typhoons pass.

FOOSHING INQUIRY.

VESSEL'S LOG BOOK
READINGS.The composition of the Marine
Court of Enquiry which sat this
morning to enquire into the cir-
cumstances attending the ground-
ing of s.s. Fooshing on the White
Rocks on February 19 was as
follows:—Lieut. Commr. G. F.
Hole, R. N., Harbour Master,
(President), Lieut. Commr.
C. R. H. Harvey, O.B.E., R.N.,
Supt. of the Royal Naval Chart
Dept., Captain S. Robinson,
C. B. E., master of s.s. Empress of
Canada, Captain C. S. Isbister,
master of s.s. Taming, Captain
G. Byers, master of the s.s.
Chinhua.Mr. F. G. Vaux represented the
master, Captain John McAlinh, Mr.
R. E. A. Webster the Indo China
Steam Navigation Co., Ltd., and
the Underwriters, and Mr. G. K.
Hall Brutton the China Coast
Officers' Guild.Captain McAlinh, master of the
Fooshing, upon going into the
witness box was given the follow-
ing log readings.—The Fooshing
left Swatow at 6-2 p.m., on the
19th at full speed. At 6-56 Bell
Island bore S. 50 W. true, distance
half a mile. The course was set
S. 79 E. true for Lamocks Light
allowing for flood setting N.—1/2
knots was allowed. At 7-5
Good Hope Light was abeam and
S. 10 W. true, distance 3 miles was
the position by cross bearing on
Bell Island. Log streamed at zero,
weather was dull, there was a
drizzling rain which continued
till after 9 p.m. when it stopped
and visibility became good. Wind
was N. by W. force 4, veering to
N.E. by E. force 5 to 6 sea and
swell being N. force 4.At 6-25 Lamocks Light was
observed bearing S. 89 E. true.
At 6-6 the course was altered
to N. 89 E. true, Lamocks
Light bearing N. 84 E. log 17 1/2
miles, allowing ten per cent slip,
16 miles or 8 knots per hour. At
9-45 Lamock Light bore N. 74 1/2
E. true the estimated distance being
4 1/2 miles. At 10 p.m. Lamocks
Light bore N. 67 E. true and the
course of the log 79 E. at 10-10 the
course had altered to N. 74 E. true,
at 10-20 to N. 69 E. true and at
10-30 to N. 64 E. true. While
being steamed the boat struck.The cross-examination of Capt.
McAlinh is reported on page 1.

'CELLO RECITAL

LAST NIGHT'S CONCERT.

Showing a superb command over
his instrument, Mr. Serge Supin
submitted an admirable programme
at the City Hall last night. The
more ambitious items included
Boccherini's Concerto, revealing a
beautiful second movement and
a fantasia on the Barber of
Seville. Of seven shorter pieces,
Moszkowsky's dainty Guitare
gave considerable pleasure, and
there was general and hearty
acclaim as to the worth of Mr. Harry
Ore's Gavotte piece, an original
lines and full of a quiet melody.

STREET TROUBLE.

SUN YAT-SUN MOURNING
INCIDENTS.

POLICE COURT FINES.

A sequel to yesterday's distur-
bances during the mourning pro-
cessions in connection with the
death of Dr. Sun Yat-sen was the
appearance of four men before Mr.
J. R. Wood at the Central Magis-
trate's court this morning.In the first case a medicine deal-
er and a shop accountant mem-
bers of the Chap In Cargo Coolies'
Guild, were charged with holding
a procession at West Point with-
out a permit from the Secretary
for Chinese Affairs. It was stated
that the procession was several
hundred strong and was backed up
by two brass bands.Mr. Burlingham, Assistant
Superintendent of Police, who
prosecuted, stated that no applica-
tion had been made to the S.C.A.
for permission to hold a proces-
sion. Had this been done, a
permit would in all probability
have been granted. There was
nothing against the men for hold-
ing the procession except on the
ground that no permit had been
obtained.In fining the men \$25 each, the
Magistrate explained to them very
clearly the necessity for obtaining
a permit to hold a procession other
than a funeral or marriage pro-
cession.The other case concerned a fitter
and a shop assistant who were
charged with behaving in a dis-
orderly manner at Sutherland
Street.Divisional Inspector Peter
Grant, who prosecuted, stated
that the Federation of Labour
Union was observing a day of
mourning, and a crowd of several
hundred people had gathered in
the street. In dispersing the
crowd the two accused demurred
and made it appear as if they were
going away. They were back
again a little later, and the first
accused started to arrange a
crowd which had again been
attracted by a speech which he
delivered whilst perched on a
stool. On being asked by the
Inspector to go away, the man
adopted a truculent attitude and
lifted the stool above his head in
an endeavour to throw it at the
Inspector. Both the men were
then placed under arrest. Two
European officers were stationed
on the spot and there was no fur-
ther trouble.The first accused denied unruly
behaviour and said that he was
seized by the Inspector as he was
climbing the staircase of the
building. The other said that he
did not know why he was arrest-
ed, as he was not a pickpocket.The Magistrate, in addressing
the two accused, said that the
police had a duty to perform in
clearing the streets, and any
refusal to comply with their
orders to move on was an offence
and amounted to obstruction in
their duty. He was satisfied that
the Inspector had been very
patient, and had arrested them
for good reasons. He would fine
each of them \$15 and order them
to sign personal bonds, of \$100
with sureties to be of good
behaviour for six months.

CAPTAIN'S REPORT.

ANCHORED STEAMER
PASSED.On the arrival here of the China
Navigation steamer Taming from
Haiphong and Hoihow, Captain
C. S. Isbister reported that at 7-35
a.m. on Sunday, the R. C.
Rickmers was anchored three
miles North-West of Pochin Hill
Pagoda, Hainan Straits, with a
small Chinese steamer, name un-
known, moored alongside.When a China Mail reporter
called at the office of Messrs. Carl
Bodiker and Co., agents for the
Rickmers Line in Hongkong, he
was told that no message had
been received although the R.C.
Rickmers was fitted with wire-
less. The steamer was coming
to Hongkong from Europe, via
Sabang, a small coasting place 20
miles North of Malacca in the
Straits Settlements.Of over 3,000 tons net, the
R. C. Rickmers is a cargo vessel,
on the run between Europe, Hong-
kong, North China and Japan.Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak return-
ed to the Colony by the Empress
of Canada to-day.Tokyo, March, 16.—The death is
announced of Viscount Goro Miura,
a notable and powerful political
influence, after a long illness.
Portrait of the "Daily Bulletin."Mr. Serge Supin's technique is
such as to make difficult passages
seem easy of accomplishment.
His violin and pianissimo effects
were delightful. The artist had the
benefit of Mr. Harry Ore's piano
accompaniment, whilst Mr. Ore
also contributed a number of piano
solos, including Chopin's beautiful
Scherzo in B flat.

BRITAIN A C3 NATION?

UNFIT RECRUITS FOR THE ARMY.

SPECIAL RESERVE FAILURE.

"Crass Stupidity of the Sergeants."

Five out of every eight men coming forward as recruits for the British Army have been rejected as physically unfit.

DISQUETING FACTS.
(*Reuter's Service.*)

London, March 16. In the House of Commons, Sir L. Worthington Evans, Secretary of State for War, introducing the Army Estimates, expressed disquiet at the fact that not fewer than 49,255 would-be recruits had been rejected on medical or physical grounds, namely five out of every eight.

LABOUR'S SCORN.



Mr. Stephen Walsh, Secretary of State for War in the Labour Cabinet, who has denounced "the crass stupidity of the recruiting sergeants in connection with the special reserve."

Next to ill-health unemployment benefits were the most important obstacle to recruiting.

As regards the supplementary reserve, Sir L. Worthington Evans emphasised that trade union opposition thereto had been due to completely erroneous misapprehensions that the reserve was for the purpose of strikebreaking. The War Office would proceed without the help of the unions.

Mr. Stephen Walsh, Secretary of State for War in the Labour Cabinet, regretted the misunderstanding with regard to the supplementary reserve which he attributed to the crass stupidity of the recruiting sergeants. "The difficulty might be removed if it were made clear that the reserve would be only called on during war."

Twenty thousand railwaymen were represented at a meeting at Chester when a resolution was passed demanding that the railway companies withdraw within twenty-four hours the undertaking to raise technical units for a regular army of supplementary reserve, which, according to the Secretary of the National Union of Railwaymen, would be liable to be called out to aid civil power, thus endangering the railwaymen in an industrial dispute with the Railway Companies.

SLAP IN THE EYE.

PRESIDENT AGAIN REBUFFED.

ATTORNEY-GENERAL DISPUTE.
(*Reuter's American Service.*)

Washington, March 16. In spite of President Coolidge's explicit statement in again submitting to the Senate the nomination of Mr. Warren, if it is again rejected he "will grant Mr. Warren a recess appointment" under which Mr. Warren will be Attorney-General until the next session of Congress. The Senate to-day again rejected the nomination by 46 to 39 votes.

After over a month's debate, the Senate by 41 votes to 39 rejected Mr. Warren's nomination for the Attorney-Generalship, which President Coolidge supported.

A wave of applause swept the galleries when the rejection was announced.

Peking, March 16.—Britain and America have followed the example of France in protesting against the flotation of the proposed loan. These notes emphasised that the customs revenue which was hypothecated for a special charge should, when the charge no longer exists, become part of the ordinary customs surplus and should not be used for security for fresh obligations.—*Reuter.*

Association. The order to establish a reserve army of technical craftsmen was issued by the Labour Government, and signed by Mr. Walsh. The General Council of the Trade Union Congress, after considering letters from the Railway and Transport Unions as regards the War Office circular, decided to appoint a special committee to investigate the circumstances. The Council endorsed the attitude of the Unions as regards the circular and passed a resolution appealing to the members of all trade unions to refuse to accept service in the proposed reserve force pending publication of the Council's report.

ESTIMATES PASSED.
(*Reuter's Service.*)

London, March 16. The House of Commons has agreed to the Army Estimates. The army estimates for 1925-1926 are £41,500,000 compared with £45,000,000 for 1924-1925. The establishment of the regular army is 150,000 as compared with 161,000 last year, including 4,000 Indian troops employed in the air ministry at Iraq. The reduction is due to administrative economies. There is no reduction in the fighting units. There is a shortage of from two to three thousand in strength in the British Army, excluding British troops in India, which are approximately up to establishment. Recruiting during the past twelve months has been disappointing, only 36,000 recruits were obtained out of 94,000 required. The army reserve is 94,000 and the territorial army 110,000.

SOVIET TOUR.

(*Reuter's Service.*)

Moscow, March 16. After the closing session of the Central Executive Council at Tiflis, the members of the Soviet Government visited Georgia, Armenia, Daghestan and the Northern Caucasus, including the Grozny oilfields in Ukraine before returning to Moscow. The President, M. Kalinin, in an interview with the Rosta Agency, said that the Georgian Government must pay a great deal more attention to local self-government and the religious question.

THREE DEAD MEN.

(*Reuter's Service.*)

Nagasaki, March 16. A water logged boat, belonging to the 423-ton steamer "Uwajima Maru No. 6," which has not been heard of since, it encountered a storm on Wednesday morning off Kabushima Islands—has been discovered. It contained three dead bodies.

It is believed that the rest of those on board—except the purser and 15 passengers saved by a Japanese destroyer—to the number of 97 have perished.

130,000 MEN OUT.

(*Reuter's Service.*)

STOCKHOLM, March 16. One hundred and thirty thousand workmen are involved in a lockout instituted by the Swedish engineering industry which began to-day. The lockout is affecting shipyards, the textile industry, pulp and paper mills and sawmills. It is a sequel to disputes in several industries.

Bagdad, March 16.—The Turkish Petroleum Company, wherein participation is equally divided by four groups; namely, the Anglo-Persian Oil Co., the Royal Dutch Shell Co., seven of the principal American oil companies including the Standard Oil Co., and 67 French companies, concluded a convention with the Iraq Government for the exploitation of petroleum in Iraq, not including Busrah and Virmet, for 75 years. A pipe line to the Mediterranean is contemplated if sufficient oil is found. The convention stipulates that the chairman shall always be British.—*Reuter.*

Paris, March 16.—The French Cardinals recently issued an anti-Governmental manifesto, demanding the abolishment of the so-called laical laws. Speaking yesterday at the cathedral of Notre Dame, the Archbishop of Paris stated that neither the Pope nor the Nuncio knew of the manifesto before its publication and that the document was but a dogmatical definition.—*Havas.*

AN EXCELLENT MAN.

PRaise FOR OUR FOREIGN SECRETARY.

FRENCH PREMIER'S TRIBUTE.
(*Reuter's Service.*)

Paris, March 16. Mr. Austen Chamberlain conferred with M. Herriot for two hours. He told pressmen afterwards that the next meeting would be in London.



AUSTEN CHAMBERLAIN.

M. Herriot said: "Mr. Chamberlain is an excellent man. We are in agreement on all essential matters."

HOME FOOTBALL.

CELTIC IN CUP SEMI FINAL.

LEAGUE RESULTS.

(*Reuter's Service.*)

GLASGOW, March 16. Playing their Scottish F. A. Cup (fourth round) tie for the third time, at Ibrox Park, Glasgow, Celtic beat St. Mirren by a goal to nil.

On Saturday (March 21) the semi-finals will be decided. Celtic meet Rangers at Hampden Park, Glasgow (the ground of Queen's Park).

Hamilton Academicals meet Dundee at Tynecastle, Edinburgh (the ground of Hearts of Midlothian).

ENGLISH LEAGUE—DIV. I.
(*Reuter's Service.*)

LONDON, March 16. In the first division of the league Birmingham were at home to West Bromwich Albion, the match ending in a draw as no goal was scored. [West Bromwich now tie with Huddersfield each having 45 points for 33 matches but Huddersfield (last year's winners) have a substantial lead on goal average.]

On their own ground, Sheffield United lost to Liverpool by one goal to nil.

Third League (Northern.) In this division, Barrow, playing away, defeated Rotherham by one goal to nil.

The fixture between Walsall v. Tranmere Rovers was not played.

M. C. C. LOSE.

GRIMMETT AGAIN CAUSES DOWNFALL.

(*Reuter's Service.*)

ADELAIDE, March 16. South Australia beat the M. C. C. (1st) the last match of the present tour) by ten wickets.

In their second innings the M. C. C. made 264, Whysall scoring 101, Sandham 64 and Hendren 59. Whysall and Sandham scored 166 for the first wicket. Thereafter only Hendren was able to deal with Grimmett, who took 7 wickets for 85 runs, and A. Richardson 3 for 86.

During the tea interval Grimmett was presented with a cheque for £180 in recognition of his feat in the fifth Test Match.

South Australia had the unusual experience to bat a second time for one run, which was scored off the first ball.

RECORD ENTRY.

TO-MORROW'S DRAW FOR DAVIS CUP.

(*Reuter's American Service.*)

NEW YORK, March 16. There is a record number of entries for the Davis Cup.

Of the 26 nations competing, 16 challenging teams are in the European zone and 9 in the American zone.

The inter-zone final will be played at Boston and the challenge round at Philadelphia in September.

General Dawes will preside at the draw for the first round at Washington on March 18.

MOSCOW'S PRAISE.

TRIBUTES TO DR. SUN YAT-SEN.

KUOMINTANG'S GRATITUDE.

Ready For Stronger Ties With the Soviets.

The strong leanings which the late Dr. Sun Yat-sen had for Russia appear to be fully reciprocated.

PUBLIC EULOGIES.
(*Reuter's Service.*)

Moscow, March 16. The Press is full of articles on Dr. Sun Yat-sen who is described as the leader of the National Revolutionary movement in China.

The papers publish many telegrams of condolence from various public organisations of the Soviet Union with the Kuomintang Party, which has telegraphed the Central Executive Council of the Soviet Union declaring it is ready "to strengthen its brotherhood with the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics."

The offices of the Commissariat of Foreign Affairs were draped in mourning. Eulogies of Dr. Sun Yat-sen were delivered at many meetings.

The Peking Government has thanked the Soviet for its message of condolence.

MEMORIAL SERVICES.

(*Courtesy of the Daily Bulletin.*)

Peking, March 16. The Kuomintang headquarters here state that the memorial ser-

vices for Sun Yat-sen will last a week, and not merely two or three days, as originally announced.

The actual funeral will take place at the Purple Mountain, Nanking, where a tomb is already being constructed.

It is unofficially reported that the Government are devoting \$60,000 for the funeral arrangements, half of which will be spent on the tomb at Nanking. The burial will not be carried until the tomb is completed.

BEYOND PRAISE.



This photograph shows the late Dr. Sun Yat-sen in his prime, when he was still a strong factor in China's politics.

LATE MR. ROY ANDERSON.

(*Courtesy of the Daily Bulletin.*)

Peking, March 16. The funeral of Mr. Roy Anderson took place to-day, and was largely attended.

The service was conducted by Rev. Hayes, of the Presbyterian Mission, who, in the course of a brief address, pointed out that Mr. Anderson had worked in a unique field, which aimed at a closer understanding between China and America.

The brother of the deceased, Mr. David Anderson, arrived in time for the funeral.

There was numerous floral tributes, including one from the foreign Lincheng captives.

PEKING POLITICS.

(*Courtesy of the Daily Bulletin.*)

Peking March 16. The Reorganisation Conference to-day decided to have a recess from the 17th inst. till the 31st inst. in order that certain members may deliberate on various outstanding problems, after which the Conference will again meet on April 4 for 20 days.

Later. The Conference to-day also discussed the Government Memorandum suggesting that representatives of public bodies from the provinces should be recognised as members of the Conference.

The Conference did not oppose this, but declared that the Conference regulations could only be altered by the Government, and suggested that the Government should amend the rules accordingly.

It is understood that the Kuomintang formerly proposed this suggestion, but the Government then opposed it. Hence the Government's change of attitude is regarded as significant.

GOLD FRANC ISSUE.

(*Agence Havas.*)

Paris, March 16. "Le Temps" issues the following information:—The news stating that the negotiations concerning a loan amounting to \$15,000,000, bearing interest at 8 per cent., guaranteed by the German share of the Boxer Indemnity given over to China by Germany, came to an end, is confirmed.

Under these circumstances how can be explained the attitude of the Chinese Government, which, in spite of the formal text of diplomatic instruments, contends France's right to receive in gold francs her share of the indemnity while she simultaneously calculates in gold marks the former German share given over for its benefit? We understand that the Diplomatic Body have protested against this behaviour. The texts ruling the German share and the French share of the Boxer Indemnity are the same. Evidently the French Government cannot fail to take this opportunity to insist again with Peking, in order that France should obtain at last satisfaction of this affair, which has lasted three years, doing the greatest damage to the relations of both countries.

JARAN AND SOVIET.

(*Reuter's Service.*)

Tokyo, March 15.

The Japanese Foreign Office denies the message from Warsaw to the effect that the Soviet had refused to accept Mr. Naotake Sato (at present Minister to Warsaw) as Ambassador to Moscow.

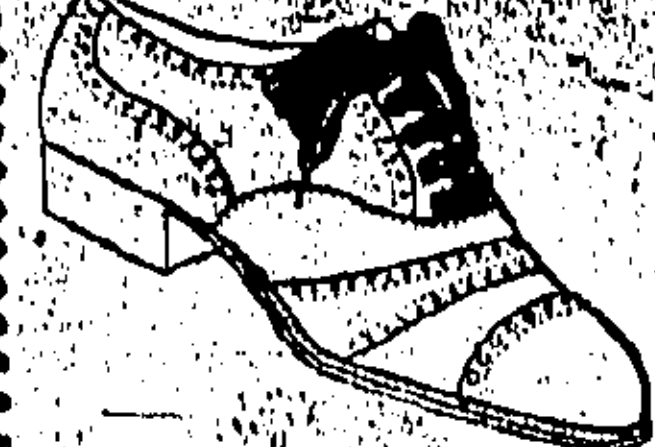
Mr. Sato will reach Moscow in a few days. The appointment of an Ambassador to Moscow was made after the passing of the estimates, mentioned yesterday, states the Foreign Office.

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WIRELESS PROGRESS.

WHAT HAS BEEN DONE IN
HONGKONG.

INTERESTING REVIEW.

An interesting account of local wireless progress is contained in a section of the annual report of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce, which we reproduce below:

The unsatisfactory conditions existing during 1923 at Cape D'Aguiar Wireless Telegraphy Station are indicated by complaints printed in the Chamber's last Annual Report to the effect that "on more than one occasion steamers have been unable, when well within range, to establish wireless communication with the Station." From April 22 to July 19, 1923, according to a letter from the Colonial Secretary, the Station was closed down altogether, owing to the necessity for extensive alteration to the engine room and installation of a new battery. The difficulty was that the Marconi Synchronous Spark, used at D'Aguiar, depends entirely on its speed being maintained. A storage battery is essential, whereas for many months the apparatus was working without one, and had oil engines of only 20 h.p. immediately the apparatus was used, the speed died down and the spark became ineffective.

Mr. L. H. King, Chartered Electrical Engineer, arrived in the Colony in December, 1923, having been appointed by the Colonial Office to advise the Government on all electrical matters, including wireless telegraphy. As announced by the Chairman at the last annual meeting of the Chamber, he was able, almost immediately, to effect considerable improvements at D'Aguiar, as the result of which the station was communicating early in 1924, with Canton, Kwong Chow, Wan and Swatow, rendering great assistance to commerce in the absence of other means of rapid interchange of messages. Substantial improvement was also made, and maintained, in "ship to shore" communication.

At the beginning of 1924, D'Aguiar was transmitting on temporary 70 ft. masts. This state of affairs continued until August, when two new 212 ft. steel lattice masts were brought into use, replacing those blown down in the typhoon of August 18, 1923. When working on the 70 ft. masts the station had not an adequate range, except with ships possessing exceptional receiving gear. The power plant was also overhauled and improved, new standing receiving gear installed, and still more important, a full staff of operators was obtained.

The Direction Finder. Experiments were also carried out early in the year with the Direction Finder, which was brought into operation for a short period but was found to have such variable errors that calibration was considered impossible, and the station was withdrawn from service for further investigation. It was found on opening up the instrument that minute spots of corrosion had formed on parts of the innermost and highly sensitive coils with which fresh apparatus is fitted. Fresh coils have now been obtained and the station is again in the course of calibration. It is to be expected that the readings obtained will still contain a certain percentage of error, this being unavoidable, as it is due to the rugged coast line in this vicinity and the consequent coastal refraction. It is, however, possible, should these errors be found to be constant, for a correction chart to be brought into use, enabling each reading to have its value added to or subtracted from as may be necessary. Direction Finding Stations already established in England announce, for example, that within certain sectors an accuracy within two degrees may be expected; bearings in sectors other than these will be given if desired but will be described as only approximate. It may be possible to operate a Hongkong Station subject to similar reservations.

Broadcasting Storm Warnings. As mentioned in the Annual Report of the Chamber last year, in the early part of 1924 the Government decided to purchase a six k.w. valve transmitter. This set has now arrived in the Colony and is being installed at D'Aguiar. It will enable communication to be effected at ranges exceeding 1,000 miles, with ships having gear capable of receiving, and should effect considerable improvement in enabling broadcasting of Storm Warnings to all ships at this greater distance.

The practice will be for the weather reports that are transmitted at routine times on 600 metres to be repeated on 1,800 metres with the valve transmitter. In addition to transmitting weather reports, an arrange-

ment is being made for "Notices to Mariners" to follow on directly. By this means it is hoped to establish a custom for the Merchant Marine to listen in at these routine hours for these important transmissions. It is likely that Admiralty warnings will also be included in this programme.

A continuous service has been maintained throughout the year, in addition to dealing with the whole of the "ship to shore" traffic, including the reception of meteorological reports from ships and the transmission of weather warnings. For the greater part of the year D'Aguiar has been the only means of communication with Canton and Swatow. Chiefly owing to this interport traffic the work of the station has increased as indicated in the following table:

Increased Wireless Traffic.

	Forwarded.	Received.
1922	2,964	7,865
1923	3,489	8,066
1924	11,242	12,473

The following is an analysis of the messages handled during three months of 1924:

	June	July	Aug.
Ships, paid messages	625	569	621
Observatory messages (weather reports)	271	731	730
Interport messages (Canton, K. C. Wan and Swatow)	967	945	1,145
Navigation warnings	4	11	13
Service A (enquiries in connection with traffic)	253	212	286
Total	2,120	2,468	2,765

Whilst undoubtedly it has been of assistance to the commercial community for this interport traffic to be handled by D'Aguiar, the fact remains that it has tended to overload that station and thereby impair the "ship to shore" services. There have been during the year several justifiable complaints from ships as to the time they have had to wait to get a message accepted by D'Aguiar. A proposition was therefore submitted by the Electrical Engineer during the year that an additional station containing a 1½ k.w. continuous wave telegraph-telephone transmitter should be erected. This proposal was approved by the Government and the necessary apparatus is being obtained from England. When this station is brought into use it will take over the Canton and Swatow traffic and may, in addition to this, serve as a broadcasting station for items of public interest such as typhoon warnings, etc., or for the transmission of entertainment programmes, when these are available.

Wireless Station at the Observatory.

In the meantime it has been possible, since the arrival of the valve set, to liberate a small emergency spark set which has been temporarily erected at the Observatory and has been relieving D'Aguiar of the Canton, Swatow and Kwong Chow Wan traffic since the middle of January, 1925. The station is connected by land line, to the G.P.O., the procedure being to telegraph messages across the Harbour to the Observatory and transmit them from there by wireless. Already ships are availing themselves of the better facilities thus afforded, and the communication of weather reports and "ship to shore" traffic is already showing a marked increase.

In addition to the foregoing the Government have authorised the installation of an emergency wireless set at the Post Office and at Waglan Lighthouse, the reason being that an alternative means of communication was considered necessary in the case of breakdown of the submarine cables running to these stations, which are busily engaged in notifying the passing or approach of vessels to the harbour. As may be known, a considerable and ever-increasing traffic is being done with semaphore messages from ships to these lighthouses, this forming a most useful service for the shipping offices which thus get early notice of the arrival of vessels.

At the Post Office an additional room has now been obtained from which all messages for transmission or reception are passed. The room is now in charge of a European telegraphist and the staff of operators has been increased so that more rapid handling of the traffic may be expected. In addition to the radio counter established in the Post Office, a counter has been provided for the reception of wireless messages when the main hall of the Post Office is closed, thus extending the hours of reception to 10 p.m. on week days. The question of all-night opening of the Office is under consideration. At present night traffic is not large, the number of messages handled varying between 9 and 10, and numbering 38 in a test period of

ten days. As a 24 hour shift is observed by the wireless operators it is a comparatively small matter to arrange for all-night reception of messages, and the Chamber has requested that arrangements be made accordingly.

Long-Distance Communication.

Further consideration has been given by the Committee of the Chamber to the question of long-distance wireless communication, a subject bristling with difficulty and made more complicated on account of the rapid development constantly taking place in wireless science. The Colonial Government is keenly alive to the great importance of this aspect of wireless telegraphy and has been in frequent communication with the Secretary of State on the subject. A decision as to policy during the present year may be looked for with some degree of confidence. All interested in wireless are eagerly awaiting the result of the working of the new short wave station that is being installed by the Marconi Co. for the British Post Office in England. The enormous reduction in the capital cost effected by the short wave system, in conjunction with the marked increase in efficiency that is anticipated, is sufficient justification for awaiting the results obtained by this Station before embarking upon large expenditure.

MESSAGES FROM STEAMERS.

Much consideration has been given during 1924 to the question of wireless communication. It was noted in the Chairman's address at the last annual meeting that Cape D'Aguiar was then communicating with Canton, Kwong Chow Wan and Swatow, but the effectiveness of this service is seriously reduced by various hindrances such as slowness of delivery at the other end, and the fact that messages can only be received during the hours that the Post Office in Hongkong is open. This latter fact often causes considerable delays at the end of the week and the Committee has suggested to the Government that, in view of the extent of "ship to shore" traffic, arrangements should be made whereby messages can be received and delivered in Hongkong, at least, at any time during the twenty-four hours.

Early in the year the Government forwarded to the Chamber an interesting memorandum by Mr. L. H. King, the Government Electrical Engineer in charge of wireless on some local and general considerations concerning wireless telegraphy. Under date 25th January, 1924, Mr. King emphasized the exceptional difficulties of wireless in Hongkong on account of "atmospherics" which are very prevalent practically all round the world at this latitude from April until September. Another difficulty is jamming by ships of war and by other stations. Mr. King continued:

A point that appears to need defining are the various classes of stations, as it is evident that confusion exists in many minds. Stations may be classed briefly under the following heads:—(1) Coast Stations. (2) Inland Stations. (3) Medium Power Stations. (4) High Power Stations.

By these terms are meant:—(1) Coast Station.—A station which is primarily designed for communication with ships at sea, and is represented in this Colony by D'Aguiar.

(2) Inland Station.—A station whose primary function is to communicate with other land stations; these stations are designed with ranges of from 30 miles to 500. It is an inland type that is required to cover communications to Canton, etc.

(3) Medium Power Station.—A station built to work with another intermediate station, or to act as a feeder station to a High Power Station and usually given a certain 1000/2000 miles range. This station is represented in this Colony by Stonecutters. Such a station would range Manila, Shanghai and Singapore for commercial traffic.

(4) High Power Station.—A station primarily built for direct communication between distant Colonies and their home Governments. This type, for successful working, requires a large amount of preliminary arrangement, as the initial outlay is so heavy that ample traffic must come to hand, and it must have a station equal to itself in power, organisation, and standing, to work with at the opposite end of route.

Stations of the first, second and third types have grown up all over the world, and their usefulness is appreciated and recognised by the authorities dealing with arrangements of the high power class, and it may be taken that local traffic will be collected by stations of the first and second type, dispatched by the third type, working inter-colonial, inter-continental, and the like.

fourth type for direct communication with the home country.

In criticising the Wireless Telegraphic arrangements of the Colony, certain conditions which apply to radio-communication generally are sometimes overlooked. For example, it has been freely stated that D'Aguiar cannot work a ship at 400 miles, the blame being thrown on the Government or the staff of the station when the real cause was that the power of the ship station was not equal to that of D'Aguiar, the range of a Coast Station being the range of its plant when working with a station of equal power.

In further notes, Mr. King wrote that where landline and cable facilities to neighbouring trade centres are insufficient an inland station and a medium power station should be considered, but the difficulty is obtaining co-operation with the authorities at the other end of the route.

Automatic Anti-Piracy Transmitter.

At this time also the Government forwarded for the consideration of the Chamber copies of a statement supplied by the Marconi International Communication Co., with regard to an anti-wireless piracy transmitter which the Captain Superintendent of Police, the Harbour Master and the Electrical Engineer agreed might prove of considerable value as a protection against piracy. It was suggested by the Government that the Shipping Companies mainly interested might acquire a number of sets for experimental purposes, in the first instance, and that, if experience proved the value of the apparatus as a protection against piracy, its provision might later be made compulsory.

It may be undesirable to publish a full description of the apparatus, but, stated briefly, it is contained in a bullet proof steel case and will operate itself as soon as a button is pressed, continuing to operate for a considerable period. The Chamber suggested to the Government that a set should be purchased for experimental purposes. This has now been done and the apparatus is being tested under ordinary working conditions on a local steamer.

Compulsory Wireless on Ships.

On June 7 the Government wrote to the Chamber, again raising the question of compulsory installations on British ships on the China Coast, which has occupied the attention of the Chamber from time to time since the year 1921. The Government requested the views of the Chamber on the suggestion that steps should now be taken for the introduction for some scheme on the lines of the Merchant Shipping (Wireless Telegraph) Act 1919, modified to suit the special circumstances of the China Coast. Enclosures to this letter were copy of a letter from the Foreign Office, forwarded by the Secretary of State for the Colonies, referring to a recommendation made by a Naval Court at Shanghai which enquired into the loss of the s.s. "Mylie," that the fitting of wireless telegraph installations to sea-going British ships registered at Shanghai should be made compulsory. The Secretary of State added that as simultaneous legislative action at Shanghai and Hongkong was suggested he requested the Colonial Government to consider the matter in consultation with His Majesty's Minister at Peking.

In referring this matter to the Chamber, the Colonial Government enclosed a Minute of a conference held at Shanghai on April 24, 1924, at which were present:—Sir Skinner Turner, Judge of His Majesty's Supreme Court for China; Mr. J. H. Kemp, K.C., Attorney-General, Hongkong; Mr. S. Barton, His Majesty's Consul-General and Registrar of Shipping, Shanghai; Mr. W. G. Sheppard, of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., and Mr. T. H. R. Shaw, of Messrs. Butterfield & Swire.

Messrs. Sheppard and Shaw stated that the Indo-China Steam Navigation Company and the China Navigation Company were already preparing to install wireless on their coastal steamers plying on routes where large numbers of passengers were carried and had established at Hongkong a school for training Chinese British subjects as operators. Reference was made to the correspondence which has passed between the Harbour Master and the Hongkong Chamber of Commerce in 1921 on the subject of the adoption at Hongkong of the Merchant Shipping (Wireless Telegraph) Act 1919, and Messrs. Sheppard & Shaw stated that in regard to coasting vessels running out of Shanghai and other China ports their views were in agreement with those expressed by the Hongkong Chamber.

(In a letter to the Government dated September 7, 1921, the Chamber urged that the proposed legislation should not penalise British shipping, i.e., should not be so onerous as to cause foreign shipping to avoid Hongkong, or to place British shipping at a disadvantage compared with foreign

vessels entering the Port, also that the employment of Asiatic operators and watchers should be permitted, even though the Asiatics might not be British subjects.)

They objected to the adoption of the provisions of the 1919 Act for the following reasons:—

- (1) The classification of ships on the basis of the nature of the voyage for the purpose of determining the type of apparatus and number of operators to be carried was not suited to the peculiar conditions prevailing on the China Coast.
- (2) The expense involved in the employment of white operators would be prohibitive and the introduction of such men would be demoralizing to the crews, as it would be impossible to find sufficient work for the operators to do.
- (3) The ships to be affected by the legislation are running solely in Asiatic waters and in competition with Asiatic-owned shipping.

They therefore considered the modifications in the home procedure, suggested by the Hongkong Harbour Master and Chamber of Commerce as essential in the event of any application of the 1919 Act to British shipping on the China Coast and in particular they urged representations by the British Government in favour of corresponding legislation by the Governments of Japan and China, in order to minimize the penalizing of British ships in their competition with the vessels of these countries, and also the removal of the restriction regarding the British nationality of the Asiatic operators to be employed. The last point is of importance in the case of ships running out of Shanghai as Southern Chinese will not work with the Northern crews, and a second school for operators will be necessary at Shanghai where Chinese of British nationality are not obtainable as students.

Attention was also drawn to the fact that the shore stations on Chinese territory were few in number and of doubtful efficiency.

The question of the type of apparatus which might be held at the Conference adequate under local conditions was not discussed as no technical information was available.

In replying to the Government under date July 10, 1924, the Chamber again stated its views, and pointed out that some considerable time must still elapse before trained operators, the product of the School established by Messrs. Butterfield & Swire and Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., with the co-operation of the Government, would be available in adequate numbers to operate on vessels to which legislation would apply. The Committee, therefore, hoped that legislation might be deferred until matters were further advanced and there was international agreement upon this subject.

Extension of Wireless. The Committee has also had under consideration the question of interference by wireless operators of various nationalities transmitting in an irregular manner, also wireless in connection with weather reports, and is at present considering the directions in which wireless communication could be usefully extended, e.g., locally, within a five hundred mile radius of Hongkong; between Hongkong and places like Singapore, Shanghai and Manila, and high power long distance communication with, for example, Australia, Aden and so on. The importance of bringing a part of this importance fully up-to-date from a wireless point of view is fully realised, and the Committee is rendering the Government every assistance in its power in arriving at a solution of the many intricate problems involved—a solution rendered the more difficult of accomplishment by the fact that conditions are continually changing because of the rapid scientific development of wireless telegraphy. The fact that a wireless station is only effective provided there is a station of equal power and efficiency at the other end has also an important bearing, as far as China is concerned.

COMING OLYMPIAD.

For the 7th Far Eastern Olympiad at Manila, May 16 to May 23, China will send strong teams for football, basketball and volleyball. China's chances are not fancied in the track and field events, baseball and swimming. Hongkong is in the South China section for choosing representatives. Candidates from Fukien, Kwai-chung, Kwangsi, Kweichow and Yunnan will also be put in this section and a national try-out will be held at the grounds of the South Eastern University, Nanking on May 1 and 2.

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The Campaign has but two weeks to go after this week, and the last count of votes will be made and published in the paper on March 31. This will be the final count before the close, and on that date the ballot box will be closed and sealed, a slot being left open in the top to receive the ballots. The box will not be opened again until opened by the judges after the Campaign is closed.

As soon as the ballot box is sealed on March 31, all reserve ballots held by the different contestants should be immediately sent into the office to be deposited in the ballot box. It is specially important that all ballots be in the box before the close of the Campaign. A contestant may have a million votes in his or her pocket, but if those vote ballots are not in the ballot box before the closing hour, they will not be counted.

There is still plenty of time for a new contestant to enter the race, and one 15 years' subscription to the China Mail will place any new contestant so entering, at the top of the list.

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Mrs. E. E. Ellis—Hongkong Hotel.	1390960
Miss G. Ellis—10, Lee House Street.	1249360
Miss Rose Lau—59, Caine Road.	1028880
H. Chou—Equitable Eastern Bank.	896550
C. J. Roe—2, Observatory Villas.	891530
Miss D. Wicheh—Cox's Path, Kowloon.	869580
Doris Lee—9, Seymour Road.	748000
Alec. B. Allan—H.M. Naval Yard.	746170
Mrs. Molly D. Lee—5, Shelley Street.	734220
W. E. Van-Epps—Brown, Jones & Co.	734170
Basil Fung—1, West End Terrace.	669400
W. J. Wilkinson—Hongkong Land Investment Co.	654920
Miss Elsa Ecu da Silva—Thorsen & Co.	653800
Miss Amy Stenham—15A, Orient Building, Kowloon.	643260
C. Bond—Gandee, Price & Co.	608040
Edith H. Kee—260, Queen's Road.	543060
R. C. Pass—Douglas S.S. Co.	513940
Miss Annie Tolan—20, Nathan Road.	510500
Miss Alice Lau—Plains, Ltd., Asiatic Building.	442420
Miss Lolita da Sousa—1, Aimal Villas, Kowloon.	439180
Mrs. Elsie Dumeny—1, The Albany.	175840
Miss Chenailoy—Nestle Milk Co.	155290
Miss L. McKenzie—Struthers & Barry.	150980
C. de Mello—5, Kennedy Road.	133960
Miss R. Mow Fung—Gilmann & Co., Ltd.	126870
James Chue—c/o American Consulate.	103780
Miss Violet Toek—Goddard & Douglas, 4A, Des Vaux Rd.	95870
Dr. John Fenton—Lugard Hall, Hongkong University.	85640
M. Raffek—O.S.K. Co.	82950
A. C. Greaves—1, Excelsior Terrace.	76100
Dr. Wan Yik Shing—12, D'Agular Street.	74820
Miss Meadows—P.W.D.	70190
A. G. Sallad—B.A.T.	22620
Miss V. Capell—Torres Building, Kowloon.	14700
Miss Julia Wong—30, Caine Road.	14260
W. Shea—Colonial Dispensary, Queen's Road Central.	13009
Miss M. Kent—Lane, Crawford, Ltd.	12910
C. F. Vas—Eastern Extension Telegraph Co., Ltd.	7960

WEMBLEY DISPLAY.

WHAT HONGKONG HAS DONE.

AND WHAT IT WILL DO AGAIN.

In 1922 and 1923 the burden of preparation for Hongkong's participation in the British Empire Exhibition fell perhaps fairly evenly upon the London Committee and the Hongkong Committee, but in 1924, with the opening of the Exhibition, the "centre of gravity" shifted to London and the giant's task was shouldered by the London workers, states the annual report of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce. Most ably they acquitted themselves for, from the first, the Hongkong section was a principal attraction amongst all competing displays, and interest never flagged throughout. The main lines, described in the last issue of this volume, were adhered to; that is to say, shops selling local wares and run by local enterprise, sold between them nearly \$500,000 worth of goods, and the restaurant, serving Chinese food at prices suited to all classes, also well repaid the promoters. Sir Robert Ho Tung's exhibit of sericulture and silk-weaving was perhaps the most important feature of the Section from an educational point of view, and the exhibit of South China Produce was thoroughly appreciated by business callers.

Nevertheless, experience at Wembley clearly indicated that Hongkong, as a non-producing Colony, an entrepot on one of the world's great trade routes and the storehouse of South China, is entirely dependent for its degree of prosperity or adversity upon conditions in the vast country on whose borders she stands, can derive slight benefit for herself from participation in a great Empire demonstration of this kind. Imperial considerations, however, are all important, and the co-operation of every part of the British Empire was essential to

realisation of the project, essentially an Empire advertisement to the rest of the world, rather than to the component parts of the British Commonwealth. Serious gaps in the ranks in 1925 would be most regrettable.

O Imperial grounds, therefore, the Joint Chambers of Commerce Committee, after careful consideration at three special meetings—third held after the return to the Colony of the Hon. Mr. E. R. Hallifax, C.M.G., the Hongkong Commissioner at the Exhibition, who carefully reviewed the experience gained in 1924, and the considerations involved in continuance—unanimously decided to forward to the Government a recommendation in the following terms:

(1) That Hongkong should participate in the Exhibition in 1925 not in the hope of immediate benefit to the Colony, but on Imperial grounds.

(2) That the Government be asked to make a grant of \$200,000 for working expenses, with a further \$100,000 for the financing of stock, which would be recoverable by sales, any profit being available to reduce the working expenses. Continued participation was also strongly recommended by the London Committee, subject to the granting of certain conditions deemed essential to the success of the Section. The Hongkong Government decided to adopt the course recommended by the Joint Committee, and negotiations by cable followed, as the result of which the desired concessions were granted and continuance of the Hongkong Section was authorised at the end of January, 1925—none too soon for the work that required to be done. With the exception of exhibits like those provided by the Dock Companies, the Section is to be conducted in 1925 entirely on Government account, the staff to be employed directly on salary, and the main lines of the 1924 Exhibition to be preserved. In stocking the shops the experience of last year is available as a guide to the most salable

CORRESPONDENCE.

RED NOSES AND WHITE.

(To the Editor of the China Mail.)

Sir,—Permit me to endorse "Anfield's" remarks re the putting on of powder by ladies in public.

On Saturday I had tea with a gentleman friend in one of the Colony's best known places. I saw a girl take out her looking glass, apply lip salve—and then drink her tea. Although of diametrically opposed tastes, we both agreed that the young lady did not look her best either while or after so doing. This would also have been my opinion if the operation had been that of using powder.

I am sure there are still many men who think none the less of a woman for natural defects if she does not try by artificial means to hide them in public.

Yours, etc.,
CHINESE READER.
Hongkong, March 16.

(To the Editor of the China Mail.)

Sir,—A girl should not make-up either in public, or anywhere else. If her nose is red, let her wait until nature restores its normal colour.

Yours, etc.,
RUFUS.
Kowloon, March 16.

"BRIGHT SHAWL."

Dorothy Gish is doing a Spanish dance at the Queen's Theatre this week in the Richard Barthelmess picture, "The Bright Shawl" that is one of the most delightful features of this fascinating romance of the days of Spanish domination in Cuba.

It is a revelation of the versatility of this very talented young actress, who, in a performed atmosphere of old Havana, gives the dancing number with a grace and charm that captivates all who see it.

She is seen in the tremendously emotional rôle of La Clavel, who has all Havana worshipping at her feet. And she figures in a most poignant and tragic romance with a young American (Richard Barthelmess) who is adventuring in Cuba on the side of the patriots conspiring against the Spanish crown.

La Clavel is undoubtedly the most vivid of the many vivid delineations Miss Gish has given the screen.

articles, so it is expected that the working capital provided by the Government will be turned over two or three times, yielding in the process a profit which will substantially reduce general expenses.

The Committee received with pleasure, on the 2nd February, 1925, a letter conveying the thanks of His Excellency the Governor for the onerous work done in superintending the arrangements thus far. Suitable acknowledgments were conveyed to His Excellency and at the same time the Committee notified compliance with the request that they would continue to function during 1925. The following are the members of the Committee:

Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak (Chairman).
Hon. Mr. E. R. Hallifax, C.M.G.
Hon. Mr. Chow Shou-sun.
Sir Robert Ho Tung.
Hon. Mr. H. W. Bird.
Hon. Mr. R. H. Kotewall.
Mr. R. M. Dyer.
Mr. O. Eager.
Capt. A. MacLay.
Mr. T. N. Chau.
Mr. W. Ironside.
Mr. J. Fleming.
Secretary: Mr. M. F. Key.

The Committee, for its part, desires to place on record its keen appreciation of the enthusiastic and untiring efforts of the London Committee, especially of the Hon. Secretary, Mr. C. H. P. Hay; the unflinching interest of its Chairman, the Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak, whose skilful conduct of the Chair has materially lightened the labours of all; the Hon. Mr. E. R. Hallifax who will ultimately have devoted a substantial portion of four years—1922, 1923, 1924 and 1925—to the Exhibition scheme. Special acknowledgment is due to the Hon. Mr. H. W. Bird, who designed the Hongkong Section and has placed his special skill at the disposal of both Committees—in London and in Hongkong—continuously since 1922; also to Mr. R. M. Dyer, not the least of whose services was the release for the purposes of the Exhibition of Mr. George Duncan, a skilled and energetic organiser whose efforts contributed in no small degree to the efficient working of the Hongkong Section. Thanks are also due to both Dock Companies for their magnificent models, all of which—especially "Hongkong by Night"—attracted great attention and much favourable comment.

ST. PAUL'S.

ITS PLACE IN OUR NATIONAL LIFE.

THROUGH 1,000 YEARS.

[Psalm 90:4. A thousand years in thy sight are but as yesterday.]

I. THE REMOTE PAST.

To-day let us look back over a thousand years and more, to the days when first of all a Christian Church was built where now stands St. Paul's Cathedral right in the very heart of the British Empire.

And at the outset let us for a moment glance back into the distant past beyond those days when the workmen of King Aethelbert first built St. Paul's Cathedral.

For there are those that believe that to the high ground where St. Paul's Cathedral stands our British forefathers in days long gone came in long procession from the wooded heights of North London with their white robed priests to offer sacrifices—human sacrifices.

About this of course there is no certainty but it seems to be historically established that for many hundreds of years before the coming of Christ London was a scene of human activity. Sir Arthur Keith in his book, "The Antiquity of Man," speaks of the discovery of human remains just East of London which would carry us back thousands of years before Christ, and he remarks, "There is not a single feature of this skull primitive or ape like."

We are on surer ground when we picture to ourselves the Roman Colony established nearby where now St. Paul's Cathedral stands. Sir Christopher Wren tells us he found Roman remains when he laid the foundation of the present St. Paul's. It may well be that as the Roman officers went to the hunt they offered their sacrifices at a temple to Diana which occupied the present site of the Cathedral. Wren rejected this idea but as late as 1830 a stone altar with an image of Diana was found almost on this very spot.

Among the home Roman colonists far from the home of their birth some unquestionably were Christians as was Alban at the Roman settlement of Verulam thirty miles away. And at the Council of Arles in 314 we read of Restitus, Bishop of London, being present.

But soon came the Saxon invasion and nearly every trace of Roman civilization and Roman Christianity was removed.

II. THE FIRST ST. PAUL'S.

It was just three years before the dawn of the sixth century that Augustine first landed with his band of missionaries in the Isle of Thanet and gave himself up to the work of building up Christianity in Kent and beyond it.

Within a short time he consecrated one of his companions, Mellitus, to be Bishop of London, and for him Aethelbert, the King of Kent, with the assent of Sebert, King of the East Angles built, we are told, "a magnificent Cathedral" dedicated to St. Paul.

And this Dedication to St. Paul itself is worthy of notice. Other Cathedrals are known by their locality but London Cathedral has always been Paul's or St. Paul's.

On the spot where Aethelbert built, graves have been found, British, Roman and Saxon, successive masters and inhabitants of London.

The Cathedral as built by Aethelbert lasted till the tenth century. Let us glance at the history of those 350 years during which it stood.

They were days when a Christian Church was being born in England, days too when our nation was coming to its birth. It was by a slow process and through pain and sacrifice that advance came. For instance Mellitus very soon after being consecrated bishop was compelled to leave London and for thirty six years there was no Christian service in St. Paul's.

In the days of Alfred, chief author of our English greatness, we see gradually the nation being born, London had become less and less important as the Danes made their constant onsets upon us and Winchester was the early centre of our dawning national life.

The Cathedral as built by Aethelbert was destroyed by fire in 992 when Dunstan was Archbishop of Canterbury. It was rebuilt, and when William the Conqueror came to the throne he bestowed special privileges on the Church of St. Paul's.

Some lands he gave, he said, "to God and the Church of St. Paul's in London because I wish that this church may be free in all things as I wish my soul to be free on the day of judgment."

III. OLD ST. PAUL'S.

In the fire of 1087 St. Paul's was again destroyed. It was the Conqueror's chaplain, Mauritus,

or Maurice, who had become Bishop of London, that started the rebuilding. "A work," says Stow in his "Survey of London," "that men of that day judged would never be finished, . . . so wonderful in length and breadth."

It is interesting to notice that about this time London had thirteen monastic and more than one hundred parochial churches.

This came into being Old St. Paul's or "Old Poules" as it came to be known. It survived 600 years till the great fire in 1666. Let us think of the associations which gather round this building, not in detail but in broad outline only.

These were days when England was linked closely to the continent, days in which the life of the people was enlarged by outside contracts, but in which at times it looked as if we might lose our identity both as church and nation.

They were days which witnessed the growth of education through the monasteries, through the establishment of the universities of Oxford and Cambridge, and through the introduction of printing; which witnessed too the expansion of trade through the early merchant adventurers and the trade guilds of London and other cities.

It was a time when Church and State were closely inter-related, through the blending of ecclesiastical and political offices. A time too of strife and civil wars, and of religious persecutions, now by one party now by another.

They were days in which the revival of learning and the reformation of religion left their abiding mark upon our national life.

And in the seventeenth century it is interesting to note, London dominated the whole life of the Kingdom in a way that it had never done before or after.

It was an epoch too of wonderful expansion in our national life and in the world's life—days when new worlds were discovered.

And throughout all this period there was a growing consciousness of national life which culminated in the reign of Elizabeth and found wonderful expression in the glorious Elizabethan literature of which the authorised version of the Bible has been the chief factor in our later national life.

There are those who would say that during this period the English Church found itself, others would rather say that our Church was set the harder task of finding itself in an entirely new world outlook—a task in which we have partly succeeded and partly failed—a task which is with us still.

Be this as it may, the British people had travelled far since the days when old St. Paul's was started in the twelfth century, when in 1666 Dr. Wren was asked to report upon its condition to see whether the fabric could be repaired. He complained that the Cathedral had been ill built, that the pillars had been filled with rubble. "Some," he said, "might think of piercing up the old fabric, here and there with stones, here with bricks, and cover all the faults with a coat of plaster leaving it still to posterity as a further object of charity." But such were not Wren's ideas.

Within a few weeks after making this report came the fire of London. It started on Sunday, September 2, and burnt till the following Thursday. God grant, wrote Evelyn who was an eyewitness of the scene, "God grant mine eyes may never see the like again, who now saw above 10,000 houses all in one flame. On Tuesday, September 4, he wrote, "All Fleet Street, Old Bailey, Ludgate Hill, Watling Street now flaming, and the stones of St. Paul's, flew like grenades, the melting lead running down the streets in a stream." On Friday, "I was infinitely concerned to find that stately church St. Paul's now a sad ruin," and he adds later, "Thus lay in ruins that most venerable church, one of the most

ancient pieces of early play in the Christian world."

IV. THE NEW ST. PAUL'S.

Now let us think of New St. Paul's and its associations. Wren laid the foundation stone without any ceremony whatever on June 21, 1675. It was twenty-two years later that it was first opened for divine service. It was after another thirteen years that Sir Christopher Wren, by the hand of his son, attended by Mr. Strong, the master Mason and the Body of Freemasons, of whom Sir Christopher was an active member, laid the last and highest stone of the lantern with humble prayer for divine blessing on his work.

For more than two centuries now the new St. Paul's has played its part in our national life and what vast changes have taken place during these years. Think merely of a few of those whose memorials lie within its walls and of all their names suggest in the story of our national life.

Horatio Nelson, the Duke of Wellington, General Gordon, Lord Roberts, Captain Cook, the discoverer of Australia, Sir J. A. Macdonald, first premier of Canada.

Not only have these years witnessed the vast expansion of the British Empire but the whole of life has become a much bigger thing.

Consider the changes of the 19th century alone.—The universe has become to us a something bigger far than our fathers knew and many are feeling lost amid its bigness.

V. BIG PAUL.

We have thought to-day of the beginning of our race and of the development of our national history. What is the meaning of all this to us as we worship here?

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"One institution has withstood the wreck of the ages. The Church of Christ is older than the English monarchy, than the English law or English literature. The Church of Christ is the same in its essential character now as ever; will be the same to the end of time. It is subject to vicissitudes, many and various; it has its triumphs and defeats; it has its seasons of high enterprise and deep spirituality and energetic zeal; for it is administered by human agents. But throughout there has been a sustaining power not of earth; a life germ which no antagonism of foe, no recklessness of friend could extinguish, ever reviving, ever asserting itself, ever breaking out in fresh developments."

To-day it is given to us an opportunity of helping to rebuild this great national monument of ours, St. Paul's. Think not to say, This fund is over subscribed, it does not need my help. Rather think of it thus, our task is not simply to patch up the work of an earlier generation. It is given to us in our generation to leave our distinctive mark on this Cathedral. The middle ages were far less wealthy than our own, but they left behind them memorials of beauty which are a heritage for all time. Wren made it his aim to build for eternity. Each generation as it comes can accept an ideal no less high.

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almost impossible to convict be-
cause a warrant cannot be issued
to search a place for unlicensed
apparatus. The proposed law
provides for search.

The Water Authority notifies
by advertisement to-day that the
supply of water to all the main
districts will be controlled on and
after Thursday next. Water will
be turned on for two consecutive
hours daily.

News has been received from
Colombo of the death there of Mr.
J. A. Morris, of the Waterworks
Department, Kuala Lumpur. Mr.
Morris came to Malaya from
Ceylon nearly 30 years ago and
had been in the Waterworks
Department continuously until he
left for Ceylon, two months ago
owing to failing health.

The death has occurred at
Singapore of James Alexander
Pereira, who occupied the position
of head reader in the Government
Printing Office. The deceased,
who was well advanced in years,
was a Portuguese, being born in
Lisbon. He was connected with
the Press in both Ceylon and
India and 20 years ago went to the
F.M.S. and was attached to the
Malay Mail. Later he joined the
staff of the Malay Tribune. Four
years ago he joined the Govern-
ment Service.

Those interested in the hous-
ing problem may be glad to
know that work on the first "steel
houses" designed to quickly
relieve the housing shortage at low
cost will be begun immediately
in Birmingham. The first group
of houses is to be an experiment to
determine whether dwellings of
this type will come up to the ex-
pectations of the designers. Prob-
lem of climate would seem to
indicate that steel-houses are not
suitable for such a place as Hong-
kong.

Why are boys 10 per cent.
better at arithmetic than girls?
Dr. F. H. Spencer, London County
Council Chief Inspector of Schools,
who puts the question, confesses
that he does not know. But there
it is, the fact being attested by a
scrutiny of the work of 15,000
pupils in 366 classes. It is not due
to inferior teaching, but he hints
that the explanation in part may be
found in the greater keenness of
boys regarding the subject.

The Governing Board of the
Community Church at Shanghai
sent a wireless to the passengers
on the s.s. California, the round-
the-world ship inviting them to the
dedication of the new church
building.

For over ten years a search
has been going on to find a motto
for London, or, at any rate, for the
County Council's coat-of-arms. In
all, 1,200 suggestions have been
considered by a special com-
mittee, and, no decision being
arrived at, the Council has deter-
mined to use just the one word
"London."

The House of Commons re-
fused permission for Mr. Ben
Turner, the Labour member for
Bartley and Morley, to introduce a
Bill to restore to the nation all
lands, minerals, rivers, streams
and tributaries. Mr. Turner said
he was supported by the 24th
Psalm: "The earth is the Lord's
and the fulness thereof." He was
further fortified when he read in
Ecclesiastes: "The profit of the
earth is for all. He was also
supported by Leviticus, which said:
"The land shall not be sold in
perpetuity, for the land is Mine."
Sir H. Craik, who opposed, re-
minded Mr. Turner of the
reference in the Bible, "Thou
shalt not remove thy neighbour's
landmark."

A hundred years before the
entry into England of William
the Conqueror, there was an organ
at Winchester possessing four
hundred gilt pipes, said Dr.
Thomas Keighley in the course of
a lecture at Dukinfield on organs
and organ music. Dr. Keighley, who
is Professor of Music at Man-
chester University, said organs in
those days were terrible things.
The old organ at Winchester
required twenty-eight pairs of bel-
lows and seventy-two men did the
blowing. The organ could be
heard throughout the town. For
correct playing two men were
necessary and the keys were
stuck with the fist. From that
action arose the old name of
"organ-striker."

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Two cases of cerebro spinal
fever, Chinese, one of diphtheria,
Indian, and one of small-pox,
Chinese, were notified during the
week-end.

Mr. H. A. Ozorio of Bradley
& Co., Ltd., Swatow, has a photo-
graph of the bamboo bridge
across the West Lake, Chao-
Chou-fu, in the February number
of "Overseas."

The forthcoming wedding is
announced of Mr. Alexander
Vernon Harcourt, master mariner,
to Miss Julia Saul, who arrives in
the Colony by the s.s. Changsha
from Australia.

The many friends of Mr.
Corbourn Little will be interested
to read of the ceremony which took
place at sea on-board s.s. President
Garfield when that vessel was be-
tween Shanghai and Hongkong.
This was the marriage between
Miss Winifred E. Moore, daughter
of Mr. J. Moore of Kensington,
London, and Mr. Corbourn Little
of the well known Hongkong firm
of architects, Messrs. Little,
Adams and Wood. Captain Lowry
of the President Garfield acted as
the officiating clergyman as he was
legally entitled to do as master of a
vessel on the high seas and the
passengers made a particularly
enthusiastic congregation.

Mr. Hobo Hat, the world travel-
ling board arrived yesterday by
the s.s. President Garfield. He
occupies a suite of rooms on the
vessel and his ticket is endorsed by
Captain Robert Dollar himself. On
a scroll of parchment, more than
three feet in length, there is printed
his ports of call, with a reserved
space for the signatures and ex-
pressions of friendliness of the
notables at each place.

Between port and port, he is
encased in a black leather hat box
which is adorned with his name
and journey, and the crossed flags
of the United States and the Dollar
Steamship Line. Outside of his
case he looks forlorn and wretched,
battered beyond belief and soiled
with innumerable stampings, re-
miniscent of the days when he
travelled as mere dunnage. Mr.
Hobo Hat was yesterday received
in audience by H. E. the Governor,
Sir R. M. Stubbs who received him
very kindly and when he departed
his parting history bore the
following words: "I have explained
to Mr. Hobo Hat whom I was
pleased to meet, that Hongkong is
not in China. He seemed satis-
fied. Reginald E. Stubbs. This
refers to the strip ticket which is
headed 'Hongkong, China.'

Mrs. Weill left the Colony by
the s.s. Angkor on Tuesday, for a
holiday in France. Mr. and Mrs.
O'Dell also left by the same
steamer.

The members of the Royal
Hongkong Yacht Club are to
entertain at dinner the members
of the rowing crews who were
successful in the recent Interport
events at Manila. The function
is to take place on Friday next in
the Club House, North Point.

Commander C. J. Crocker,
D.S.O., began duty at the
Admiralty in the Intelligence
Division of the Naval Staff on
February 16. He was formerly
Senior Officer of the West River
Patrol, on the China Station, and
during the war commanded
monitor M31.

The following appears in the
latest orders of the Hongkong
Volunteer Defence Corps:—The
under-mentioned have qualified as
marksmen and are entitled to
wear the badge for one year: Pte.
H. G. B. Burns, No. 1 Platoon (90
points); Pte. G. E. Falkner, No. 9
Platoon (94 points); Piper G.
Nisbet, Pipe Band (91 points).

The Rajah of Sarawak has
appointed the Tuan Muda on his
arrival in Sarawak to administer
the Government of the State
during his absence. Until his
arrival, the Government of the
State will be administered by the
committee of administration,
with the Chief Secretary as
President.

Local members of the Overseas
Club, and others who remember
Mr. Eric Rice, formerly private
Secretary to H.E. the Governor,
will be interested in the following
from the February Number of
"Overseas":—

Mr. Eric Rice, our Special Com-
missioner, continues to blaze the
Over-Sea trail in an eminently
satisfactory manner. After the
great success of his Malta visit he
has scored quite a personal
triumph at Alexandria, in Pal-
estine, and at Cairo. Mr. Rice has
succeeded in roping in many of
the leaders of the British com-
munities in Palestine and Egypt,
among others, Sir Herbert
Samuel, the High Commissioner
of Palestine, Lady Storrs, the
Right Rev. R. MacInnes (Bishop
of Jerusalem), and in Alexandria,
Dr. Morrison, Dr. Weakley, Mr.
Woodhead (head of Messrs.
Thomas Cook), and Mr. Carver.

Mr. B. Tanner, present head of
Queen's College, is to retire this
year.

When in Shanghai, Sir Harry
and Lady Lauder attended service
at the Union Church.

The engagement is announced
of Miss Alda Augusta Franco and
Mr. C. A. Schneider, both of
Canton.

Surgeon-Captain H. J. Chater
has been appointed to H.M.S. Tamar
and for duty at the Royal Naval
Hospital, Hongkong.

Mrs. Morrison won the Ladies'
Golf Championship of the Colony,
at Fanling, on Sunday when she
defeated Mrs. Hornell by 4-3.

Captain and Mrs. Hussey, and
Mr. A. D. Franklyn were passen-
gers to Manila on the President
Grant which left on Saturday.

The German A. D. C. Shanghai
produced J. Molnar's "Lilom" at
the Olympic Theatre yesterday.
The leading roles have been ex-
ceptionally well cast. A synopsis
in English is given in the pro-
gramme.

Miss Mabel Garrison is to sing
in Shanghai this month. The
singer has signed a contract to
appear in some 30 concerts in
China and Japan, and other
countries in the Far East, and is
at present conducting a tour on
the Pacific coast of America. She
is accompanied on her tour by
her husband, Dr. Siemann, who
was her teacher of harmony and
the piano at Peabody's Institute.
Her visit to Shanghai is being
looked forward to with interest.

The King held an investiture at
Buckingham Palace on February
12, at which a large number of
those whose names appeared in
the New Year Honours List were
invested with the insignia of the
various Orders and received
decorations. Among those who
received the King's Police Medal
was Mr. William Conlay, Com-
missioner of Police, Federated
Malay States. He has rendered
prolonged service, distinguished
by special merit and ability, and
has achieved considerable success
in organizing the Police Force of
the Federated Malay States.
Mr. George Bond-Huggins, for-
merly apprentice on the s.s.
Bowes-Castle, was awarded the
Board of Trade Silver Medal for
gallantry in saving life at sea
during the typhoon at Hongkong
when the s.s. Loong Sang was
sunk.

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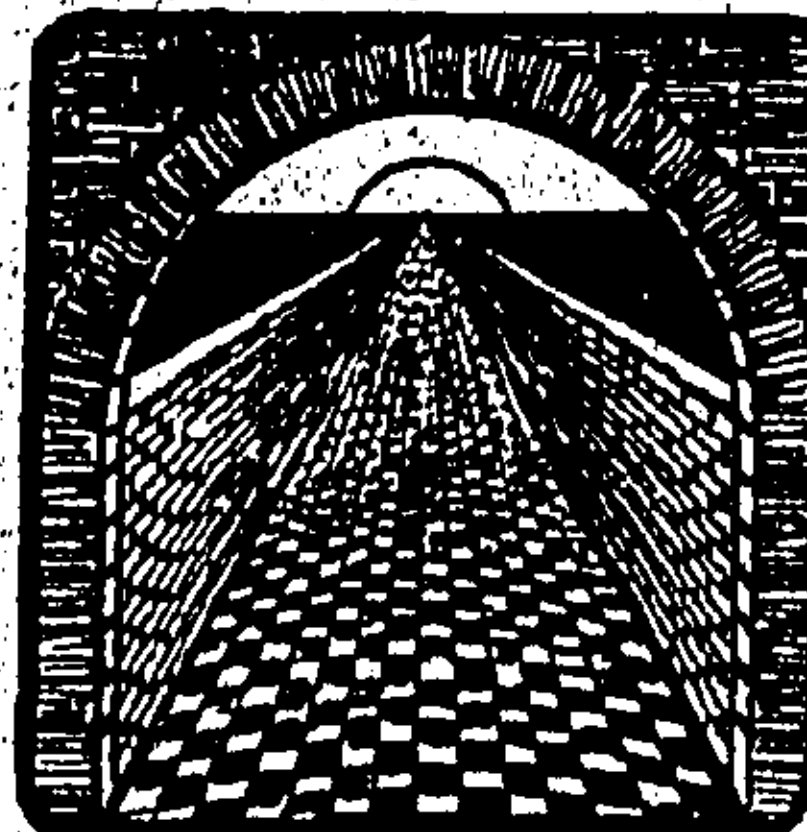
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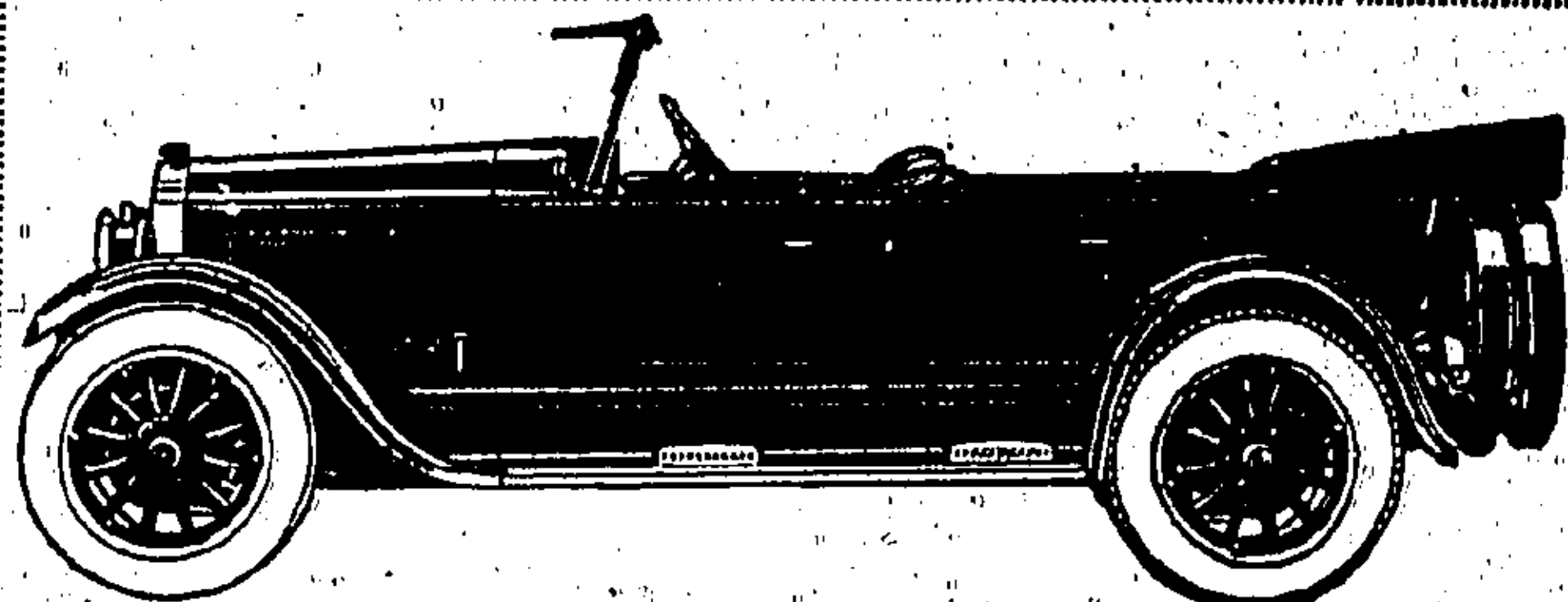
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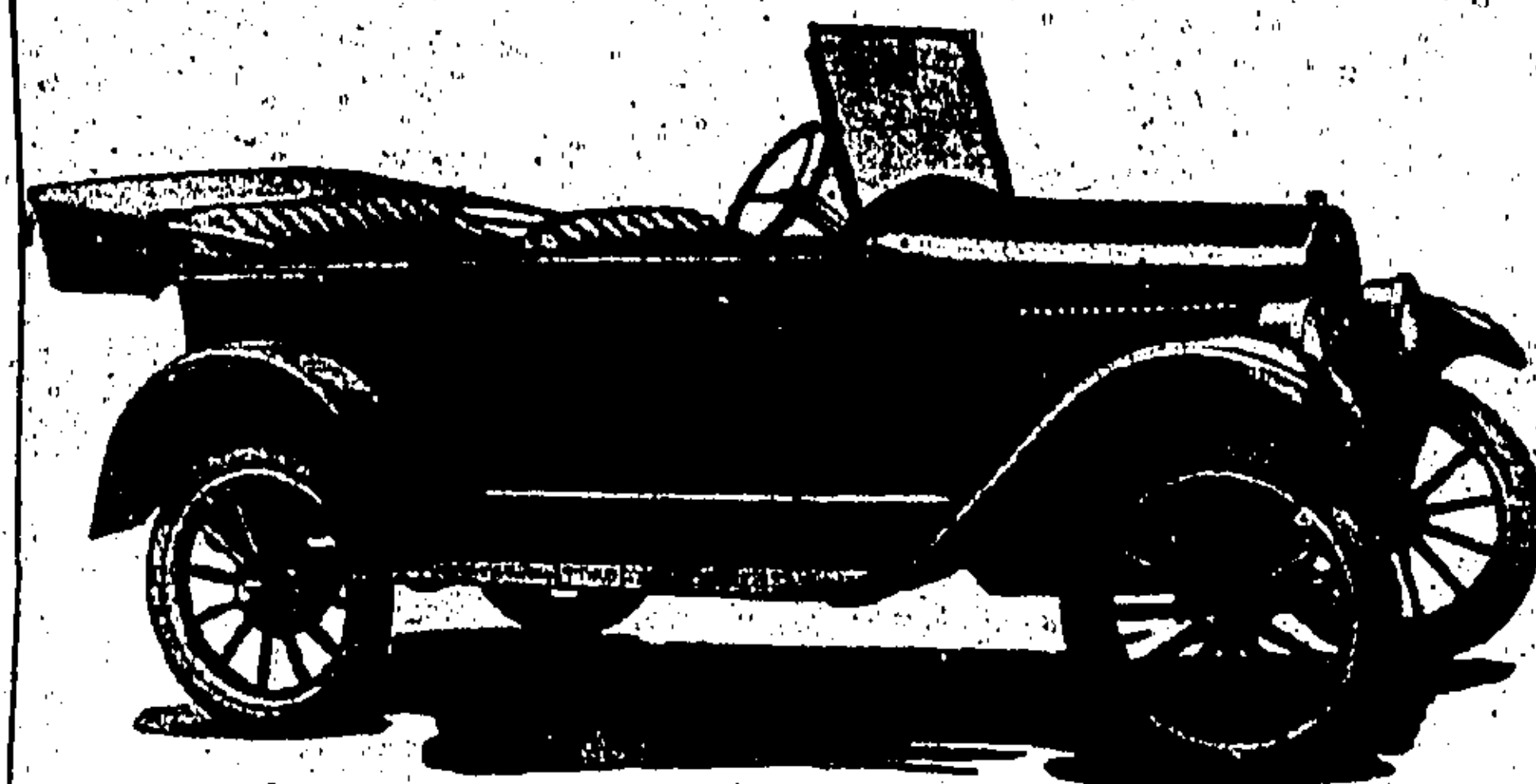
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HOW TO ENTER AND WIN.

Any person who desires may join the campaign by sending in his name to the Campaign Headquarters.

The Campaign will close on April 4th, 1925.

There will be no districts or territories. A member may secure subscriptions anywhere.

Immediately at the close of the Campaign, the votes will be counted and the member having the greatest number of votes will be awarded the first prize. The one having the second greatest number of votes will be given the second prize, and so on down the list until all prizes have been awarded.

Votes are given free and can be obtained by securing fully paid subscriptions to The China Mail or Sunday Herald.

Votes issued to one member cannot be transferred to another member.

No employee of this paper or member of the employees' family may become a member.

The Campaign is open to anyone anywhere. With the first subscription for \$36.00 you secure, you will be given the votes on the "First subscription coupon." You may use only one of these coupons during the entire campaign as no more will be counted for one member.

You will get the votes on all subscriptions as stated in the schedule published. This schedule of votes will never be changed. In addition to the regular votes, a special bonus of 250,000 votes will be given on every total of \$100.00 subscription money turned in during the fourth period ending March 21st, 1925. You will receive just as many extra ballots of 200,000 votes as you turn in totals of \$100.00 between now and March 21st. This is the greatest special credit offer of the Balance of the Campaign and you will never again get as many votes for subscriptions.

The rules are so easy and the plan so simple that anyone who desires may go in and get a big prize. With a little effort in the right direction, you will be surprised how easily the credits count up toward winning the grand prize. ENTER YOUR NAME TO-DAY.

EASY TO GET VOTES.

The Campaign is really just getting started and contestants will find it very easy to get votes. The first thing to do is to come to the Campaign Headquarters immediately and get receipt books and supplies which will be furnished free. Then begin calling on friends and acquaintances and ask for their votes. Still better let them hand the subscription money direct to you. When you turn in the money and subscriptions at the office, the votes will be given to you.

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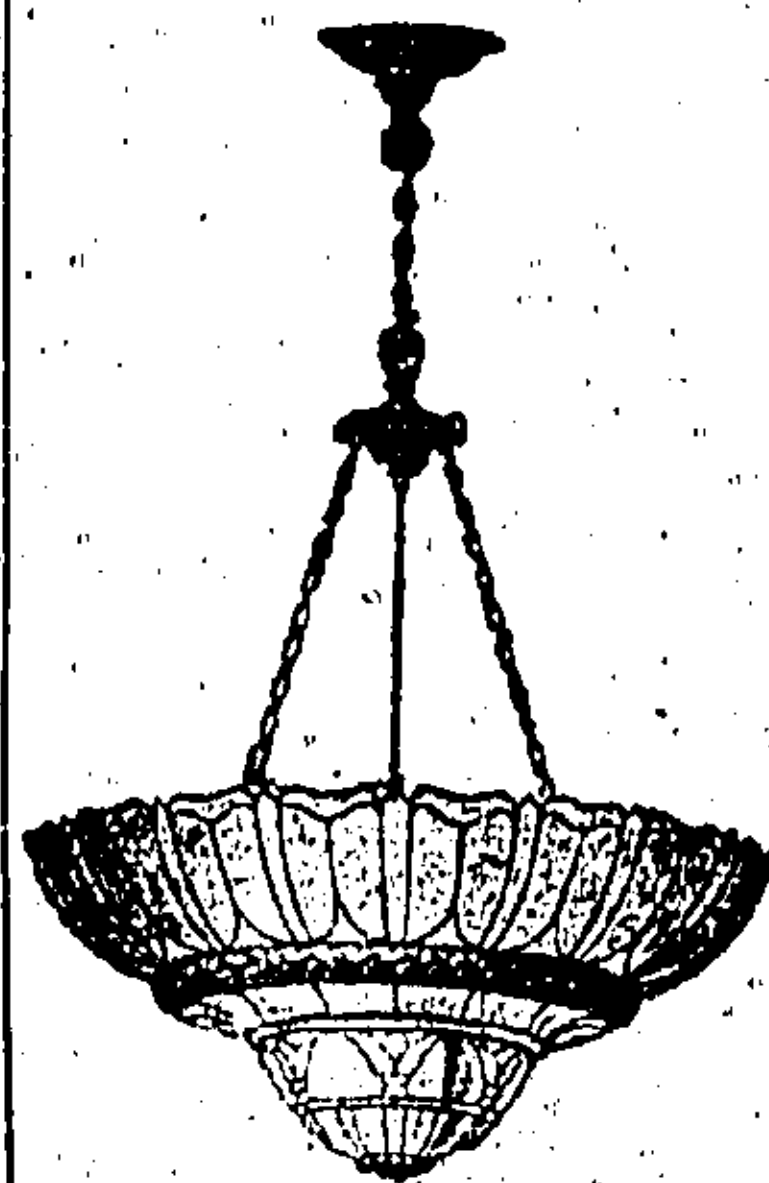
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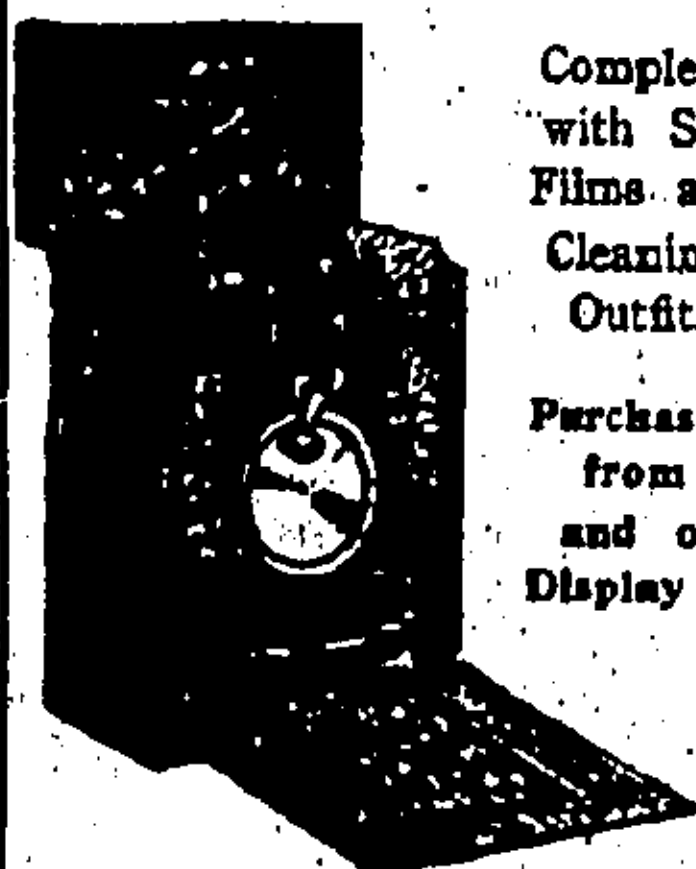
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\$850.00 Collard Piano, purchased from, and on display at, the Anderson Music Co., Queen's Building.

\$300.00 Sleeper Monotrol Radio Set complete with special loud speaker. Purchase from, and on display at, De Sousa & Co., China Buildings.

\$250.00 Brunswick Cabinet Phonograph. Purchased from, and on display at, the Brunswick Studio, Yvanovich & Co., 17, Ice House Street.

\$200.00 Semi Indirect "Serbia" Bowl Electric fixture. Purchased from, and on display at, The General Electric Co., Queen's Building.

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Vacation trip for two people to Foochow and return on the special vacation cruise of the Douglas Steamship Co.

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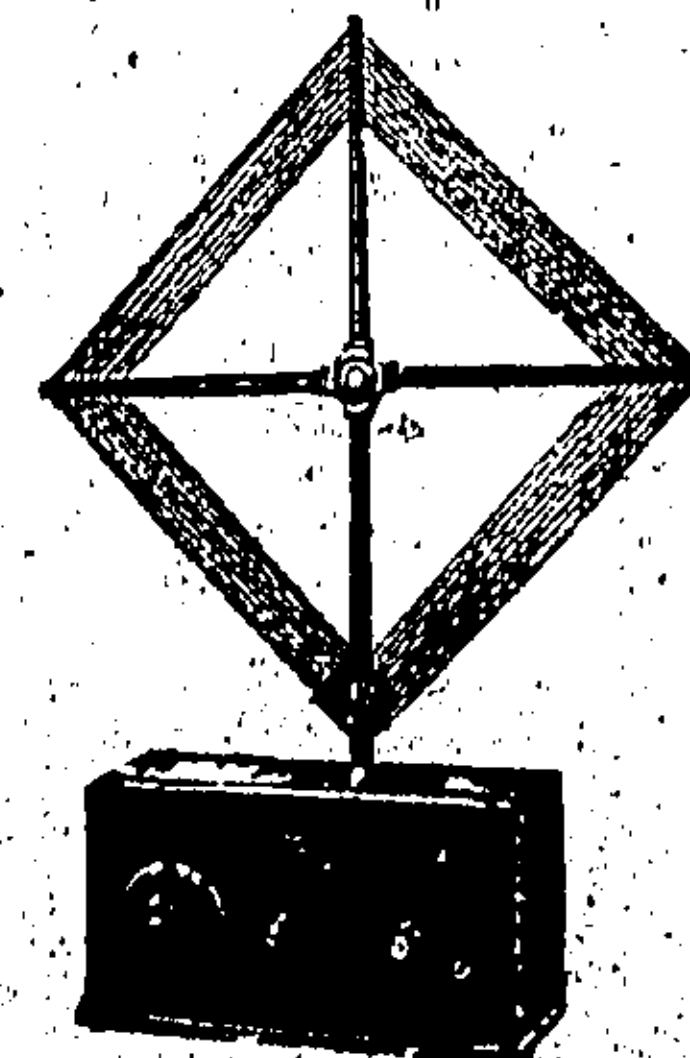
One Pathe-Baby motion picture machine complete with six films and cleaning outfit, purchased from the Pathe-Orient, 72, Queen's Road.

One Pair of \$60.00 No. 8 power German Binoculars purchased from, and on display at—N. Lazarus, 12, Queen's Road.

Ticket Book for two people to attend each programme for Three Months at the Coronet Theatre.

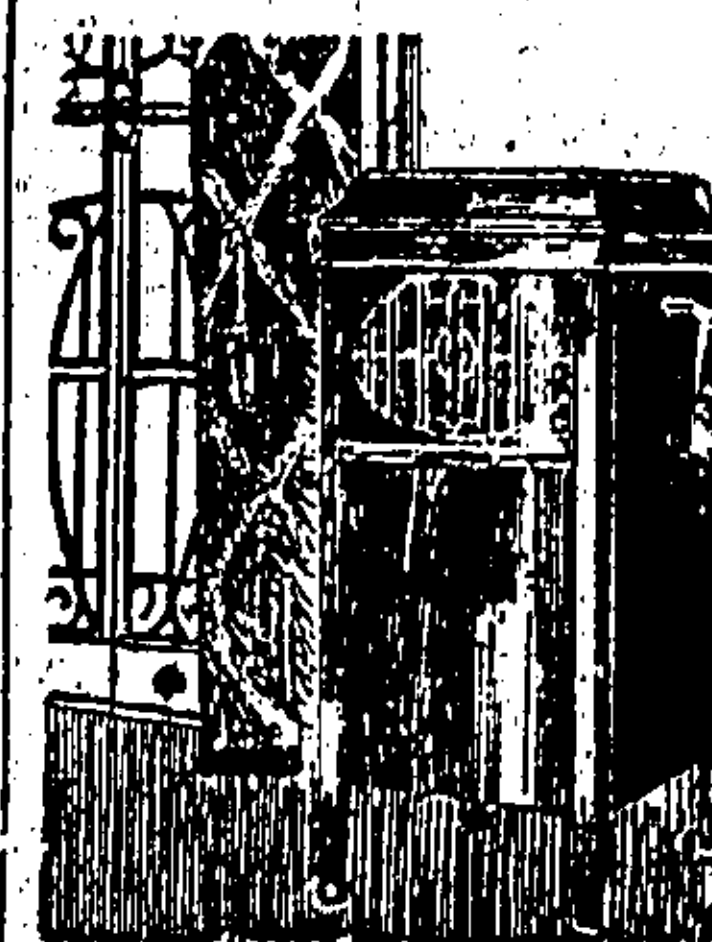
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LA MARQUISE DE LA FALAISE

Gloria Swanson, at right, favourite of the screen, is shown in Paris with her husband, the Marquis de la Falaise de la Coudraye, while on a visit to Adolphe Zukor, American film magnate, and his wife, who are wintering in the French capital. The Marquis is shown standing behind Gloria.

Explorer.



MME. M. QUILLE

Mme. M. Quile, who discovered the ancient city of Mallin during excavations on the island of Greto, has been asked by the Academie Française to report regarding her researches and discoveries. Many valuable relics and bits of masonry dating back 4,000 years were found in the forgotten city.



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Baron E. E. de Ketscherdorf, son of the wealthiest man in Austria and a banker himself, is in New York City to study its police department, so that he can lecture on the subject when he returns to his native land. He is shown with Dr. Carlton Simon, volunteer Deputy Police Commissioner in charge of narcotic cases.

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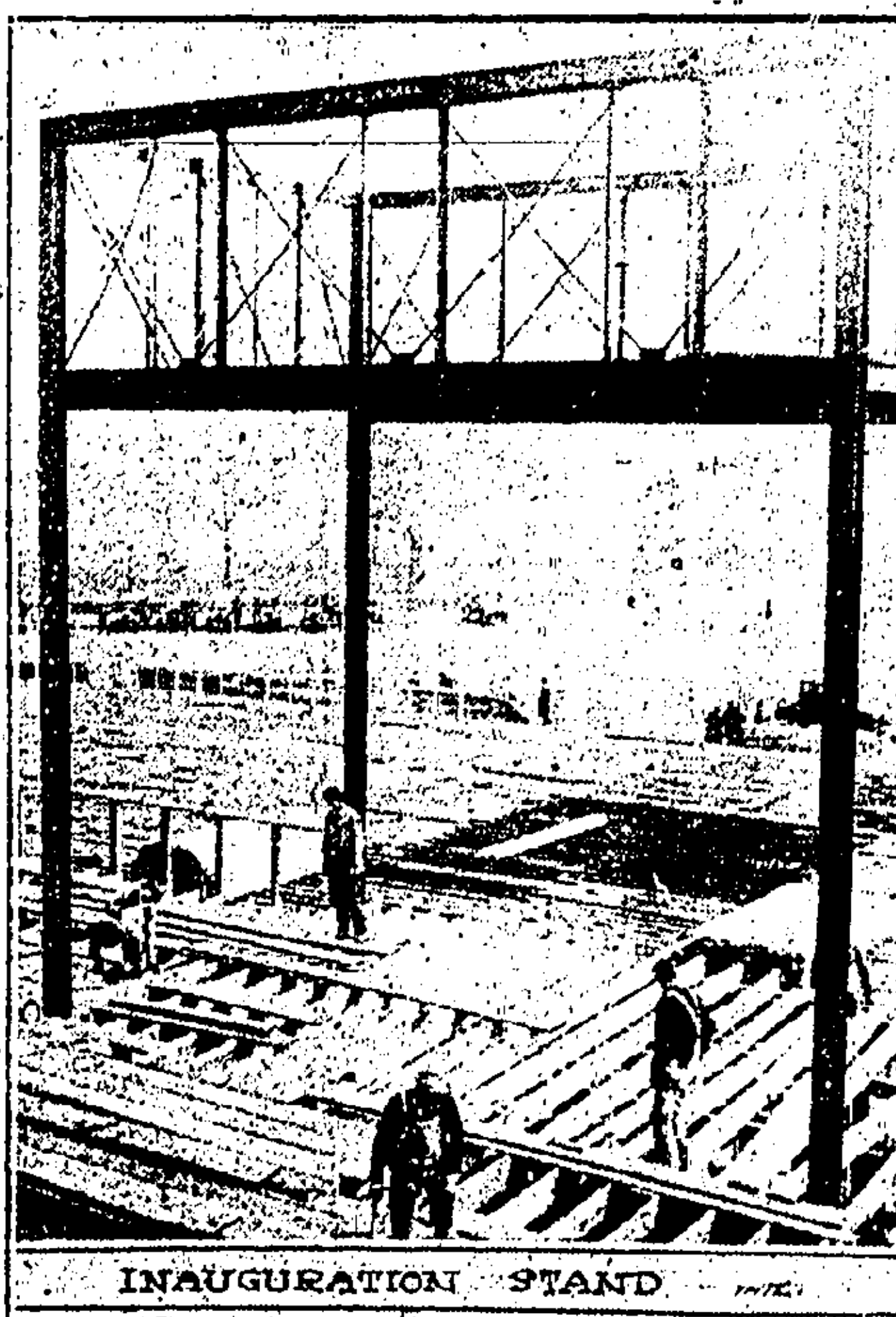
MARJORIE FLEMING (BEFORE & AFTER)

Miss Marjorie Fleming blames a surgeon who operated on her
for the disfigurement of her nose. She is asking £10,000 damages
against the doctor.



JACK W. BRADLEY

Jack Bradley, a riding master, has
captured the heart of Miss Emily
Foster, daughter of Charles Foster,
millionaire lumberman.



INAUGURATION STAND

Labourers are shown hurrying the work on the partly-completed
grandstand in front of the Capitol at Washington where President
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"Scotty," lead dog of Leonard
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Point to Golovin with the 300,000
units of anti-toxin needed to halt the
epidemic. At Golovin, Sepalla gave
the serum to Musher Olsen, who
carried it to Bluff, where Gunnar
Kasson, another famous musher, re-
layed it sixty miles into Nome.



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Nicholas Murray Butler, one of America's foremost educators, has
undergone an operation for glaucoma of the right eye, a disease
affecting the eyeball. A boom has been launched for the nomination,
four years hence, of Franklin D. Roosevelt of New York as the
Democratic candidate for the American Presidency. Rogers Hornsby,
star second baseman for the St. Louis Cardinals, has signed a three-
year contract at a salary of \$33,333.33 a year. Walter Johnson, star
pitcher of the world champion Senators, has given up his efforts to
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From 1st Dec. to 1st Jan. Below overdraw	100.00
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From 1st Feb. to 1st Mar. Below overdraw	100.00
Total	1,000.00

Consumption of water in the City and Kill District in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of February, 1925.

Consumption per head.

Constant Supply in all Districts during February 1925.

Intermittent Supply in all Rider Main Districts West of Eastern Street during February 1925.

Constant Supply in all Rider Main Districts East of Eastern Street during February 1925 excepting 2 days (1st-2nd inclusive) when an Intermittent Supply was given to the Bowen Road Conduit being damaged by blasting.

Consumption of water in the City and Kill District in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of February, 1925.

Consumption per head.

Fall Supply in all districts during February 1925 and 1926.

The Government Analyst's recent reports show that the quality of the water is satisfactory.

Total Rainfall to 10th Feb. 5.9 in.

H. T. ORRIS, Water Authority Public Works Department.

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E. V. JESSEN, Superintendent.

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WORLD OF SPORT.**HOME FOOTBALL****LEAGUE TABLES TO DATE.**

The position in the English and Scottish Football Leagues up to and including March 15 is as follows:—

DIVISION I.

Team	P.	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.	Pts
Huddersfield	33	17	5	11	57	24	45
Manchester City	33	19	7	7	50	28	45
Newcastle U.	33	14	6	13	54	32	43
Bolton W.	33	17	8	8	61	30	42
Sheff. Wed.	33	13	6	13	43	40	39
Liverpool	33	16	6	11	52	44	39
Sunderland	33	16	13	5	50	43	37
Birmingham	33	13	11	9	34	37	35
Tottenham H.	33	12	11	10	44	36	34
Cardiff City	33	12	9	12	40	31	33
Sheff. U.	33	12	12	9	37	46	30
West Ham	33	11	12	10	44	45	30
Burnley	33	10	14	9	42	57	28
Blackburn	33	9	12	12	39	46	28
Aston Villa	33	8	11	14	51	53	27
Arsenal	33	11	16	6	44	41	26
Leeds U.	33	7	14	12	35	43	26
Everton	33	8	15	9	31	49	25
Nottingham F.	33	6	19	7	24	56	19
Preston N.E.	33	8	22	2	30	64	18

DIVISION II.

Team	P.	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.	Pts
Derby	33	20	7	6	66	31	46
Leicester	33	19	6	8	67	28	44
Manchester U.	33	18	7	7	47	21	43
Chelsea	33	14	7	12	46	29	40
Port Vale	33	15	11	5	36	37	35
Portsmouth	33	10	8	14	40	43	34
Clapton O.	33	12	12	9	33	31	33
Wolverhampton	33	14	12	5	40	39	33
Hull City	33	11	11	7	45	37	33
Bradford C.	33	10	12	11	32	37	31
Southampton	33	10	11	12	29	31	31
South Shields	33	9	12	12	33	30	30
Wednesday	33	12	17	5	39	50	29
Stockport	33	10	14	9	30	43	29
Fulham	33	10	13	9	32	46	29
Oldham	33	10	14	9	27	44	29
Middlesbrough	33	8	13	12	36	39	29
Crya Palace	33	11	15	7	34	43	28
Blackpool	33	10	13	9	30	43	27
Stoke	33	8	17	8	28	39	24
Barnsley	33	8	16	8	38	55	24
Coventry	33	9	17	6	39	71	24

DIVISION III.**Southern Section.**

Team	P.	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.	Pts
Bristol C.	33	17	8	8	44	26	42
Swansea	33	17	6	7	55	25	41
Swindon	33	17	8	7	51	29	41
Plymouth	33	17	8	7	51	27	41
Newport	33	15	9	9	50	33	38
Exeter	33	16	10	6	47	36	38
Millwall	33	13	9	11	45	37	37
Norwich	33	17	13	3	39	31	37
Southend	33	16	13	3	43	42	35
Brighton	33	12	12	8	40	34	34
Charlton	33	11	10	12	34	34	32
Reading	33	12	11	7	30	23	31
Gillingham	33	11	13	8	30	38	30
Watford	33	11	15	7	28	33	29
Norwich	33	10	11	12	37	37	27
Queen's P.R.	33	10	14	7	33	44	27
Aberdeen	33	11	15	5	38	27	27
Luton	33	14	6	14	48	51	26
Bristol R.	33	10	14	8	29	39	24
Bournemouth	33	8	16	7	26	44	23
Brentford	33	8	20	6	23	22	22
Merthyr	33	7	20	4	29	54	18

DIVISION III.**Northern Section.**

Team	P.	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.	Pts
Darlington	33	20	5	7	67	23	47
Bradford	33	15	7	11	71	34	41
Nelson	33	18	8	4	55	33	40
Southport	33	16	8	7	45	27	39
N. Brighton	33	16	9	6	62	42	38
Rochdale	33	16	10	6	60	45	38
Lincoln	33	15	12	6	50	46	36
Ashington	33	13	12	8	62	67	35
Crews	33	11	11	11	45	57	33
Chesterfield	33	13	12	6	45	31	32
Barrow	33	13	13	6	43	51	32
Halifax	33	12	12	9	40	41	31
Doncaster	33	11	15	4	44	54	29
Accrington	33	11	14	7	51	60	29
Walsall	33	10	15	8	34	44	28
Wigan	33	9	13	10	46	56	28
Durham	33	8	12	13	34	57	27
Grimsby	33	10	15	7	38	46	27
Hartlepool	33	9	13	9	36	47	27
Wrexham	33	9	17	7	34	53	25
Tranmere	33	10	17	3	44	54	24
Rotherham	33	5	20	7	32	67	17

SCOTTISH LEAGUE.

Team	P.	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.	Pts
Airdrieonians	33	23	4	6	78	30	52
Hibernians	33	21	6	7	74	36	49
Rangers	33	20	3	8	52	22	48
Partick T.	33	14	10	9	56	48	37
Celtic	33	14	11	7	60	41	35
Cowdenbeath	33	15	13	5	69	62	32
Hamilton A.	33	15	16	2	50	57	32
Ruth R.	33	11	12	9	44	48	31
Dundee	33	12	14	7	41	61	31
Hearts	33	10	14	10	37	63	31
St. Mirren	33	13	13	4	53	54	30
Morton	33	11	14	7	37	58	29
St. Johnstone	33	10	13	9	49	60	29
Aberdeen	33	9	12	10	40	65	29
Third Lanark	33	10	16	7	47	60	29
Kilmarnock	33	10	16	7	46	61	29
Motherwell	33	8	14	9	42	61	28
Falkirk	33	9	15	7	47	61	28
Queen's Park	33	8	17	7	47	61	28
Ayr United	33	8	17	7	47	61	28

RACING.**PROSPECTS FOR CLASSIC EVENTS AT HOME.**

Racing is bucking up in view of the Grand National and the Lincolnshire. Immediately the handicap for the "Lincoln" was seen Mr. S. B. Joel struck out four of his five horses entered: Ponteland, Rynder, Green Fire, and Pasaba were withdrawn. So Pando remains as sole representative of the owner's interests. In taking this step and breaking the ordinary procedure Mr. Joel obviously wishes to mark his displeasure at the weights assigned his horses. In fact, he publicly announces that opinion and his new trainer, Walter Hall, supports the contention that the horses have been harshly dealt with. The horses named have been certainly fully weighted, but that they are too harshly treated must remain a matter of diverse opinions. The majority of experts see no unfair treatment in the case, and if Mr. Joel wishes to prove his contention he can arrange the handicapper before the authorities. No handicapper ever satisfy everybody. Taking it all in all, the best-handicapped horse in the race is Lord Glanely's Grand Joy, with only 7st. 11lb., and Mr. Barling might very easily signalise his return to his old post as trainer for the Welsh peer by winning him the first important handicap of the season.

A great deal will happen in the next few weeks that may modify opinions formed now about the National weights. Silvio, as most people imagined, is placed at the top of the handicap, while Music Hall has been dropped to 17st. Fly Mask is handicapped almost as if he had won last year instead of being second to Master Robert. His 11st. 13lb. is more than his connections expected, but he had to go up with Silvio. When one goes above eleven-seven even extra pound counts at Liverpool, but Fly Mask is such a splendid fencer and such a fine strong horse that even with his considerable weight he still has a big winning chance. Conjuror has gone from 11st. last year to 11st. 7lb., and gets 4lb. from Fly Mask. This is a great change from the handicap of two years ago, when Conjuror was set to give nearly a stone. It is probable that Conjuror will again start a strong candidate. Gerald L. ran at Kempton last Saturday, and his owner and trainer are in no way dissatisfied with his 11st. 12lb. at Liverpool. Although Conjuror beat him at level weights at Cheltenham last year the Wroughton horse is here allowed 5lb. Gerald L. sound and well on the day, would make a strong appeal for on his best form he is a smashing good chaser. Sprig, who will be making his first appearance in a Grand National, is well in with 11st. 2lb., and this splendid jumper will have a fine chance if he gets the course. At any rate, I think he is much to be preferred to T. Leader's other candidate, Tuffnys. We have not seen Eureka this season, but he was seen splendidly and was much fancied when he was carried out last year. The candidates we like at present are Fly Mask, Conjuror and Eureka, but a fit Gerald L. and a fit Max would be a danger to all of them.

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SKIPPER'S CLAIM.

CHIEF JUSTICE RESERVES DECISION.

The Supreme Court case involving the position of Mercantile Marine officers who pass the Board of Trade eyesight test but fail to come up to a standard imposed by the company employing them, drew to its conclusion yesterday afternoon with the completion of the final address of Mr. F. C. Jenkin.

Mr. F. C. Jenkin and Mr. E. S. Zetlin (instructed by Mr. G. K. Hall Brutton) were for the plaintiff Mr. Robert Kettlewell, who claims damages for wrongful dismissal and Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., (instructed by Messrs. Johnson, Stokes & Master), for the China Navigation Company.

Mr. Jenkin dealt finally with what he termed the impossibility of holding on the evidence of the defendants' own witnesses that the defect in Kettlewell's eyes was an illness and that there was thus justification for dismissal because such defect constituted incurable illness.

On the question of damages Mr. Jenkin held that when he had completed five years' service a man became entitled, subject only to the question of taking his turn, to his home leave. It was impossible to read into the contract the view or attitude that the Company took up that a man who received home leave, must return to their employ, a view that was strongly contested by the officers and their representatives.

The Chief Justice reserved judgment.

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The annual report of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce states:

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It is noteworthy that there has been some diversion of cargoes from Canton, due, no doubt, to the unceasing political unrest in the city. Cargo to the value of approximately £2,000,000 has been sent by junk, from Hongkong, direct to districts formerly supplied from Canton.

TRAGEDY IN A LIFT.

An amazing love tragedy occurred in one of the elevators of the fashionable Ritz Hotel, Kowloon, a lift attendant, fell madly in love with Elizabeth Adam, aged 20 years, a pretty chambermaid. When the latter entered the lift, Kiraly kept her a prisoner, working the lift up and down while he passionately pressed his suit. The girl became frightened, but Kiraly refused to stop the lift. Finally, maddened by the girl's refusals, Kiraly stabbed her to the heart. He then took the lift to the top floor and cut the arteries of his own wrists. The girl died in a few hours. Kiraly was rescued while bleeding to death. His condition is critical, but he is expected to recover.

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Straits	Katsang	
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From	THURSDAY, MARCH 19.	To
EUROPE, via Suez (Letters and papers London 10th Feb. and parcels 12th Feb.)	Karnala	
From	FRIDAY, MARCH 20.	To
Manila	Pres Grant	
Straits	Mauson	
From	MONDAY, MARCH 22.	To
Australia and Manila	Chasala	
From	TUESDAY, MARCH 24.	To
Japan and Shanghai	Atsuta Maru	
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U.S.A. Canada, Japan and Shanghai	Pres. Madison	
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For	TUE.-DAY, MARCH 17.	Time
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Amoy	Slukiang	12 30 p.m.
For	WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18.	Time
Rwato and Amoy	Van Overstraten	8 a.m.
Swatow and Bangkok	Helios	8 a.m.
Shanghai	Yingchow	10 31 a.m.
Manila	Pres. Wilson	3 30 p.m.
Amoy	Clara Jensen	5 p.m.
For	THURSDAY, MARCH 19.	Time
Manila, AUSTRALIA & New Zealand via Thursday Island—due Thursday Island 2 31 p.m. Registration 8 45 a.m. Letters 9 30 a.m.	Tango Maru	

*Correspondence bearing vessel's name only.

FIRE IN STABLE.

HONGKONG OWNER'S LOSS.

Mr. A. A. Alves, of Hongkong, has had "hard luck" in connection with a half-breed mare which he purchased in Shanghai to augment his racing stable here.

It is known that another Hongkong owner was also in the market for the cream mare, of which great things were expected—at any rate until there is a local rule pertaining to "accepted" China ponies, as different from the measurement standard. A few hours after Mr. Alves put through the transaction by cable, Mr. Encarnacao, the Shanghai gentleman rider, went with a commission from another Hongkong owner, to purchase the pony.

The day after Mr. Alves received confirmation, the stables housing the mare were burnt down and the mare burned to death. It was placed in a small range of bamboo stabling, some little distance from the residence of Mr. H. Tiefenbacher, Avenue Haig, Shanghai.

According to the Shanghai papers, an excellent hunter, unbeaten at Shanghai this season, named The Peregrine, was also burned to death.

Mr. Alves is expected to have paid Talee 2,000 for the mare and sympathy for the owner will go out to him.

\$40,000 OPIUM CASE.

The two men charged in connection with the seizure of \$40,000 worth of opium on board the s.s. Lorenzo on March 7 were again before Mr. J. R. Wood at the Central Magistracy this morning.

Mr. Hugh Jones appeared for the first accused, Chan Kwok-tsan, who was charged with doing an act preparatory to the export of opium, namely the purchase of mirrors and sugar amongst which the opium was found.

The second accused, Lam Tse-yu, who was charged with attempting to export the opium, was defended by Mr. F. Whitehouse.

Mr. J. D. Lloyd, Superintendent of the Imports and Exports Office, who prosecuted, asked for further time on the ground that he was waiting for some important documents which went on the ship to Cebu. The ship was expected to return in about ten days. The case was adjourned until next Tuesday morning.

SHANGHAI QUOTATIONS.

The above, kindly supplied by Messrs. J. Gould & Co., were the opening quotations on the Shanghai Market this morning.

Langkats 25 Buyers.
Bwos 12 Buyers.
Shanghai Docks 123.50 Buyers.
New Englanders 9.40 Buyers.
Orientals 3.75 Buyers.
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Toyo, March 16.—The Allen Land Law passed the House of Peers without amendment. In this and it now goes to the House. Courtesy of the Shanghai Press.

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